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SUMMARY.

The King received Mr. Asquith in audience at Balmoral on Wednesday.

The Finance Bill has been passed through the committee stage in the House of Commons.

The Liberal League has accepted the resignation of Lord Rosebery as its president.

Many members of the House of Commons believe that a compromise over the Budget is in the air.

Politicians profess to regard the decision of Lord Rosebery to address no further meetings on the Budget as a sequel to his visit to the King.

Two terrible accidents caused by explosions are reported from Italy.

Canon David Reith died suddenly in the pulpit while in the middle of delivering a sermon in St. Aiphage Church, Greenwich.

The Church Congress has been opened at Swansea.

Thirty men are imprisoned in a burning colliery at Dunsmuir, Ladysmith. Fourteen bodies have been recovered.

A firing party detailed to execute Garcia, the Spanish anarchist, hesitated to carry out the word of command.

The lieutenant who was commanding the firing party, then shot Garcia with his revolver.

Marquis Katsura, Prime Minister of Japan, states that the national finances have now been placed on a sound footing.

The relations between Japan and the United States, he added, were excellent.

It is reported that the Czarina has suffered a severe relapse at Livadia.

Sir Conan Doyle has published a powerful indictment of Belgian misrule and atrocities in the Congo.

Mr. Mix's balloon America II. won the Gordon-Bennett contest, making a voyage of 683 miles from Zurich.

He landed at North Warsaw, where the Russian police arrested him.

The personality of the late Dr. Saumarez Smith, Archbishop of Sydney, has been sworn for probate purposes at £16,013.

It is reported that the next Governor of New Zealand will be Admiral Sir Wilmot Fawkes.

The bill relating to the territory surrendered by New South Wales for the Federal capital was read the first time in the Senate.

Leave was granted by the Senate to introduce a bill to amend the Referendum (Constitution) Alteration Act.

The bill seeks to make alterations to bring the Act into line with recent amendments in the Electoral Act.

In the Legislative Council the Forestry Bill and the Fire Brigades Bill were further considered in committee.

The consideration of the Closer Settlement (Amendment) Bill was resumed in committee in the Legislative Assembly.

A deputation to the Minister urged that the eastern and western suburbs should be connected by tram.

Mr. Lee thought the question well worth considering, and promised to have a special report prepared.

Clarence Sharp, who was badly injured in the William-street explosion, died in the Sydney Hospital yesterday.

It has been decided to push forward the federation of the clerks' unions.

A conference is to be held to settle the basis of the federation.

The Public Works Committee continued its inquiry into the Coramba-Dorrigo railway yesterday.

Mr. Hutchison, Chief Engineer for New Construction, was of opinion that a standard-gauge railway should be built.

The box factory of Mr. F. Vickers at Wickham was destroyed by fire yesterday morning, together with the plant.

A deputation asked the Minister for Works for railway connection between Finley and Tocumwal.

The gap, it was pointed out, represented the missing link between the Victorian and New South Wales railway systems.

Mr. Lee said he was not in favour of the construction of the line, as it would not be in the interests of New South Wales.

The American boys, who are visiting Adelaide, were publicly welcomed by the Mayor at the Town Hall yesterday.

The co-operative scheme organised by pastoralists to establish meat export works is being well taken up.

The project is being supported not only by owners of sheep stations but also by owners of cattle.

The council of the Sydney Chamber of Commerce has considered the Interstate Commission Bill.

The opinion was expressed that it would be impossible to get suitable men for the Commission at the salaries stated in the bill.

The Parliament of New Zealand was opened yesterday.

The Speech promised legislation dealing with defence, native land settlement, finance, and the mail service.

News has reached Sydney that the steamer Orange Branch, which left Sydney on July 24 for London and Antwerp, has been in collision at Port Said.

Temporary repairs were being effected, prior to the vessel resuming her voyage.

Mr. Perry states that an potato blight has been found in fresh districts the prohibition cannot be removed yet.

The Norwegian steamer Ocean Queen has been wrecked at Makatea Island, in the Low Archipelago. No lives were lost.

A meeting of the combined unions has been called for Saturday in Newcastle to discuss grievances at the various collieries.

The principal cause of discontent among the miners is the proprietors' refusal to agree to a continuation of the conciliation board.

Eight-hour Day was celebrated at Broken Hill yesterday. The street procession was a lengthy one.

Members of Parliament from Sydney and Adelaide were among the committee's guests.

In the Council of Western Australia a bill providing for the admission of managing clerks as solicitors was read the second time.

In committee an unsuccessful attempt was made to insert a clause providing for the admission of women as legal practitioners.

A three-ton electric crane fell from the top of a warehouse in Pitt-street, near the Water and Sewerage Board offices, yesterday.

No one was hurt, but the crane fell across the telephone wires and the tram trolly wire, causing electric flashes in all directions.

The Christian Endeavour Union inaugurated a collection of flowers at Circular Quay yesterday for distribution amongst the poor.

The G.P.S. shield for rifle shooting, hitherto held by Newington College, has been won by the Sydney Grammar School.

The first large shipment of this season's American apples and pears was placed on the market yesterday. The fruit brought good prices.

In the Oodnadatta homing pigeon race one bird flew a distance of nearly 545 miles in 7 hours 42 minutes 46 seconds.

This is a world's record in velocity for the distance.

The Kogarah police were informed yesterday of the disappearance of a camping party of six persons.

The party set out from Belmore on Friday with the intention of proceeding to Boat Harbour, near Cronulla Beach.

A fisherman has reported to the Water Police that he saw the body of a woman floating off Botany Heads.

It is supposed to be that of Mrs. Sampson Israel, who was washed overboard from the Marama during the late gale.

The Commerce delegates were yesterday afforded an opportunity of seeing something of the rural conditions in southern Tasmania.

There is no sign of a settlement of the miners' strike at Clifton.

The stock and share market was without animation yesterday, though values of copper and silver stocks were well maintained.

Weather forecast: Some scattered thunderstorms, warm to hot temperatures, with northerly winds inland.

MORE ABOUT PYRAMIDS AND FARMER'S EXTENSIONS.

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THE TAMING OF THE SHREW.
NEXT MATINEE, WEDNESDAY.

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HAIRDRESSER, Tobacconist, and Fancy Goods, good position, in Leichhardt, must sell owing to illness.
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CONFECTIONERY, Mixed, near large Public School, 9 rms., always full, £40. Ralston, 51 Eliz.-st.
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BARGAIN, £18.—Restaurant and Lodging-house, old-established, with fair living, suit married couple or cook, must sell to-day, take £15. Apply first, 180 Castlereagh and Park-streets.
MIXED, 3 rooms, rent 10s., £15; Confectionery, rent £1, profits £4, £70. Melrose, Crown-Oxf. sts.
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CASH BUYER wants RESIDENTIAL CHAMBERS, or LODGING-HOUSE; no agents. Send particulars,
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LADY from N. Zealand wants Confec., good dwelling, good sub., up to £40. Barnley, Wm.-st, P.O.
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AMUSEMENT

AUCTION SALES.

INGLIS'S BAZAAR, THIS DAY, AT 10.30 A.M.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 10.30 sharp.

Vans, Springcarts, Horses, and Harness; Draught Horses, Tipcarts, Horses, and Harness; and at 11 a.m., Horses and Vehicles of every description, specially advertised. Tel., 1351.

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CAMPERDOWN YARDS.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, AT 2 P.M.

86 HIGH-CLASS HORSES. 86

including

SOME FIRST-CLASS DRAUGHTS, TEN of which are from NEW ZEALAND, and EXTRA HEAVY.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, as above,

On account Mr. JOHN NAPIER, Wellington.

10 Really Good Heavy and Medium Draught Colts and Fillies, 4 to 6 yrs. old, all in splendid condition, broken and unbroken.

On account Messrs. SOMMERS and SPEARMAN, Tamworth.

40 HIGH-CLASS HORSES, comprising

20 extra good Heavy and Medium Draught Geldings and Mares, 4, 5, and 6 years old, all in grand condition, mostly unbroken, and including the well-known AWI, WRINHOLT, SHIELD, and DRURY'S JIY BRANDS.

20 Strong, Outstanding Light Horses, 4 to 8 yrs. old, suitable for cabs, butchers', bakers', and general business use, all in first-class condition, mostly broken-in, among the number being a SPECIALLY GOOD BROWN BUGGY GELDING, 5 yrs. old, broken in, quiet, lady can drive.

On account Mr. JNO. KNIGHT, Tamworth.

20 FIRST-CLASS HORSES, comprising

4 extra good heavy Draught Mares,
12 extra good heavy Geldings.
8 good, active Draught Mares. Also
2 steadily built Ponies, 14 hands high, broken in.

The above are a splendid lot, all in first-class condition, 4 to 6 years old, broken and unbroken.

On account Mr. J. W. McINTOSH, Manly.

Good draught Gelding, broken in, stanch.

On account Mr. WM. PHILLIS, New Zealand.

20 Choice Extra Heavy and Powerful Draught Colts and Fillies, 4 and 5 years old, all in the pink of condition, some broken, balance handled to lead.

Among the lot is a very fine mare, fit for a show ring.

On account of Mr. F. HARVEY, St. Marys.

Bay Gelding, 6yrs., by Projectile, a perfect hack and good jumper; also Bay Gelding, broken to harness, suit a van.

On account of Mr. G. H. WILSON, Gosford.

Bay Cob Gelding, 4 yrs., by Cooky Emperor (imp. Hackney), broken to saddle and harness, stylish and fast.

On account of Mr. W. R. COOKE, Gerringong.

Roan Draught, broken in.

On account of Mr. G. BARR, Marsfield.

Grey Gelding, good hack and harness horse, been working in an orchard.

4 DRAUGHT HORSES, TIPCART, AND HARNESS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. P. SULLIVAN to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,

Four Good Stanch Draught Horses, subject to any trial; also first-class Tipcart and Harness, in good repair. Being sold as owner has finished a contract.

BULKY TURNOUT AND HARNESS HORSE.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. J. BLINKHORN to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,

Black Pony Gelding (Ace of Clubs brand), 14 hands, fast and stylish, Sulky and Harness; also Bay Gelding, 7 yrs., any trial, suit a tradesman's cart.

2 TURNOUTS AND S. AND H. HORSE.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Messrs. GUY and CO., Sutherland, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,

Black Active Draught Mare, any trial, Farm Dray, and Harness; Bay Pony Mare, Hooded Phaeton, pole and shafts, and Harness; also Bay Gelding, quiet to ride or drive.

2 FIRST-CLASS TURNOUTS, CARRIAGE HORSE, AND HARNESS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,

Black Gelding, 6 yrs., 16.1, High-class Rubber-tyred Sociable, and Harness; Pony, 14 hands, Piano-box Buggy, and Harness; Chestnut Gelding, Butcher's Cart, and Harness; also Bay Carriage Gelding.

Set of Single Harness, and 2 sets of Double Harness.

THOROUGHBRED GELDING AND WELL-BRED SADDLE AND HAR. HORSE FROM BRADWOOD.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by Auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,

Chas. GELDING, 6 years (1-brother to Miss West, Nor-east, Nor-west, and Lady Isabel), by Midday (imp.) from Miss Westcourse (imp.).

Brown GELDING, 3 years, by Tim Whittler, dam, fast trotting mare, broken to sad. and harness.

FIRST-CLASS SAD. AND HAR. PONY.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. J. A. Mayo to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,

Roan Pony Gelding, about 14.1, broken to sad. and har., dam the celebrated trotting mare Maud, the winner of many trotting races.

SUITABLE FOR HEAVY CARRIERS, TO BREWERS, MILLERS, DAIRY CONTRACTORS, AND OTHERS.

6 SPECIALLY GOOD HEAVY DRAUGHT HORSES.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. C. SMITH, Contractor, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, Friday, at 12 o'clock,

Handsome Pair Black Geldings, 4yrs, waist make splendid lorry pair, equal to any in the city; Black Gelding, 5 yrs., a good mate for the above; Chestnut Mare, 5yrs; also Brown and Bay Geldings, 4 and 5 yrs.

The above are all thoroughly stanch, and good workers, being sold on account of Mr. Smith having decided to go in for farming.

TO STUDMASTERS AND OTHERS.

MOTTLED GREY DRAUGHT STALLION.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. C. SMITH, Contractor, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,

Handsome Mottled Grey Draught Stallion, thoroughly broken, splendid worker, good stud horse.

HEAVY DRAUGHT HORSE.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock.

Heavy Draught Bay Gelding, 6 yrs., any trial.

HARNESS HORSE, AND SET OF HARNESS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from the Master in Lunacy to sell by Auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,

Bay Gelding, broken to harness, and stanch, suit a Cab or Van; also Set of Sulky Harness.

TO RACING MEN AND OTHERS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. E. H. M'MAHON, Muswellbrook, to sell by Auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,

Bay Mare, 4 yrs., 14.2, by Sir William from Irish Lass, untried.

Also, Bay Gelding, 5yrs., by Yorkie, very fast, broken to Saddle and Harness.

CARRIAGE HORSE.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. W. J. PEARCE to sell by Auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,

Bay Gelding, 16.1, thoroughly broken to Saddle and Harness, suit a Brougham, or make a good match Carriage Horse.

CITY TATTERSALL'S SPRING RACE MEETING.

SALE OF GATES.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from the Secretary, CITY TATTERSALL'S CLUB, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, on MONDAY NEXT, at 12 o'clock,

The right to the entrance gates for the above meeting, to be held at Randwick on Saturday, October 16.

CAMPERDOWN YARDS.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 2 O'CLOCK SHARP.

J. H. BEALE AND CO. will sell by auction, account Mr. J. M'Clintock, South Coast (by boat),

10 Horses, comprising pairs of well matched Grey Ponies, 13 hands; 5 Horses, suitable for bakers' carts or carts; 2 Ponies, 14 hands; Medium Draught Mare, Bay Gelding, splendid Buggy Horse.

BLOOD STOCK SALES.

THIS DAY,

MACCABE, MORTON, and CO.'S STABLES, RANDWICK (opposite Tram Shed), at 3 o'clock sharp,

BROOD MARES, STALLIONS, RACEHORSES, AND UNTRIED STOCK.

WEEKLY PRODUCE SALES.

MOSSMAN and ELLIS will sell by Auction, at their City Railway Produce Saleyards, off 227 George-st South, THIS DAY, at 1 p.m., Fresh Country Supplies of Pork and Veal, Bacon, Lard, Eggs, Butter, Honey, Preserves, Fruit, etc., a large quantity of Poultry of every description, Pigeons, Birds, Game, Rabbits, etc.

Buyers please Note Order of Sale:—

BUTTER and EGGS, at 1 p.m. sharp,

BUTCHER, CASCASE PORK, and VEAL, at 1.30 p.m.

POULTRY, BIRDS, GAME, etc., at 1.45 p.m.

BACON, LARD, HONEY, etc., at 2 p.m.

R. F. MURPHY AND CO. Will Sell by Auction, at THEIR SALE ROOMS and YARDS, Thomas-street, Haymarket, THIS DAY,

Bacon, Butter, Bacon, etc., 2 p.m.

Poultry, etc., 2.30 p.m.

O. J. TURNER sells at his rooms, Valentine-street, Haymarket, THIS DAY, as under,

1.15, Ducklings, Chicks, Birds, etc.

1.30, Eggs, then Poultry.

GEO. H. MORIAN and CO. sell by Auc., This Day, at Wool Exch., Sheepskins, 10.30; Hides, 1.30 p.m.

PRODUCE SALES will be held TO-DAY as under:—

SHEEPSKINS, at 10.30 a.m.; HIDES, at 1.30 p.m.

THE HAYMARKET AUCTION ROOMS.

THIS (FRIDAY) MORNING, AT 11, NEAR 772 GEORGE-STREET, NEAR RAILWAY.

FOUR SPLENDID PIANOS, by Leading Makers.

DRAWING, DINING, HALL, AND BEDROOM FURNITURE, Carpets, Rugs, Linoleum, Matting, etc.

20 Assorted Double, Single, and 3 Beds, complete.

WASHSTANDS, Combinations, Toilet Ware, Y. Tables, Stretchers, and Beddings.

Dining Tables, Aust. Chairs, Hall Stands, etc.

Crockery, Glass, and E.P. Ware, Cutlery, Vases, and Ornaments.

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ASK for the celebrated "PICK-ME-UP" SAUCE.—The High-quality Sauce at a Moderate Price.

AUCTION SALE, NEAR PETERSHAM STATION, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 10.30 A.M., AT No. 35 BRIGHTON-STREET.

By Order and on Account of MR. J. T. WHITTINGHAM, who is retiring from housekeeping.

DRAWING-ROOM AND OTHER CARPETS, LINOLEUMS, DRAWING-ROOM SUITE and APPTS. SUPER. 5ft SIDEBOARD, with DOME TOP, etc. AUS. CHAIRS, SEVERAL BEDSTEADS, WITH H.H. MATTRESSES, etc.

CHESTS DRAWERS, DUCHESSE TOILETS. CHINAWARE, MIRROR, PICTURES, ORNTS. SUPERIOR LARGE GAS STOVE, KITCHEN LOTS. HAPSBURG PIANO, COTTAGE MODEL.

Delivery certain before lunch.

The Trade and Buyers Generally please note, and attend at half-past 10 a.m. sharp. Inspection from 9.30 a.m.

STRONGMAN, WATSON, & HAWKINS, AUCTIONEERS and GENERAL AGENTS. Telephone: Two Double O Burwood.

AUCTION SALE, AT DULWICH HILL, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, AT 2.30 P.M., Under Instructions from the Owner, AT WAIKARE, WARDELL-ROAD, 3 Doors from Pile-street, Handy Tram.

LOVELY AXMINSTER DRAWING-ROOM SQUARE. ROSEWOOD AND TAPESTRY SUITE, very nice. OVERMANTEL, FANCY TABLES, PICTURES, AND LOT OF FRAMES, ORNAMENTS. HANDSOME BEDROOM SUITE AND APPTS. SPLENDID B.M. 4ft 6in BEDSTEAD and REQUISITES. COMB. CHEST DRAWERS, TOILETWARE. VERY SUPER. DINING-ROOM APPTS. SUPERB DROPHEAD SINGER MACHINE. EXCELLENT DRESSER AND KITCHEN LOTS. EVERYTHING POSITIVE SALE. DELIVER EVERY LOT DIRECTLY SALE ENDED. Trade and Private Buyers please attend prompt to time advertised when Sale starts.

STRONGMAN, WATSON, & HAWKINS, AUCTIONEERS and AGENTS for OWNER. Tele., 200 R. Offices: Burwood-road.

MOONAGEE HALL! MOONAGEE HALL!!

ASHFIELD-SUMMER HILL HEIGHTS.

THIS MAGNIFICENT MANSION,

now demolished and set out in

LARGE STACKS FOR AUCTION SALE,

on the Extensive Lawns and Grounds of this Grand Estate, bounded by

TINTERN AND PROSPECT ROADS, and FRONTING ROBERT-STREET.

FOR SALE, TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), AT 2 P.M. SHARP.

REMEMBER, AT 2 O'CLOCK PROMPT.

Speculators, Land Owners, Builders, Dealers, and Others will find this Sale to be

ABSOLUTELY THE BIGGEST AND BEST OPPORTUNITY EVER OFFERED IN THE PAST, OR LIKELY TO BE IN COMING YEARS.

We are selling for the Owner of the Estate, and every Lot must be sold and removed to facilitate the Subdivision of the Land.

THE MAGNIFICENT DOORS, GRAND WINDOWS, and FRAMEWORK THEREOF are all of finest Cedar, Sound, and equal to new.

THOUSANDS AND THOUSANDS OF FLOORING BOARDS.

CEILING JOISTS, in various Lengths and Sizes, in Lots to Suit Buyers.

MANY MANY THOUSANDS BEST BANGOR SLATES.

GREAT QUANTITY OF SPLENDID BRICKS, YARD PAVING BRICKS.

IMMENSE ASSORTMENT GENERAL HOUSE TIMBERS.

MAGNIFICENT CASTIRON VERANDAH and BALCONY COLUMNS.

IRON BALCONY RAILING, FRIEZES, AND ALL REQUISITES.

INSPECTION INVITED DAILY FROM 8 TO 5 ONLY.

The Sale is very Extensive, and will be profitable and interesting to all classes of Buyers, who will kindly be there, ready for business, Sharp at Two O'Clock.

STRONGMAN, WATSON, & HAWKINS have this Sale of Grand Timbers, Iron, Lead, Slates, Bricks, Pipes, and the complete Materials of a Grand Residence, Best Quality, and worth seeing and securing, at Auction Prices to be fixed by the Buyers.

Terms will be Cash. Delivery on Monday. Cash Deposits must be paid by any buyers unknown to the Auctioneers.

AUCTIONEERS' OFFICES AT BURWOOD STATION.

TO-DAY, OCTOBER 8, AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK SHARP. IMPORTANT UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION, at our new saleroom, 56 YORK-STREET, HOLT HOUSE, Under Instructions THE IMPORTERS, MANUFACTURERS, AND INDENT AGENTS, of a Large Quantity of Surplus Stock and Samples of

BOOTS AND SHOES, consisting of a large assortment of MENS, WOMENS, and CHILDRENS, in various makes and sizes, and in perfect condition.

QUANTITY OF MANUFACTURERS' SAMPLES.

Also, at 12 o'clock, ON ACCOUNT OF WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, COPYING PRESS, OFFICE CHAIRS, AND SUNDRIES.

ABSOLUTELY WITHOUT RESERVE. Surplus Stock and Sundries of an Importer,

Including OUTSIDE ARC LAMPS, EMERY PAPER, QUANTITY OF LOCKS, 40 TEA SETS OF 40 PIECES, AND A QUANTITY OF GENERAL IRONMONGERY, including Shovels, 18 doz German Bits, and many other lines.

SHOW TABLES AND STANDS.

DEAN AND CO. (D. H. VALANTINE, AUCTIONEER). GENERAL AUCTIONEERS, 56 YORK-STREET. TELEPHONE, 3079.

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THIS DAY, 11 O'CLOCK,

IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION, Under Instructions from THE TRUSTEES in the Estate of the late Mr. DAVID BRASCH,

TALBRAGAR, 18 KENILWORTH-STREET, BONDI. LEAVE BONDI TRAM AT FLOOD-STREET.

The Whole of the SUPERIOR FURNITURE and HOUSEHOLD APPOINTMENTS, including

SPLENDID PIANOFORTE.

☞ This Instrument is in excellent condition, being practically equal to New, and must go to the highest bidder.

AXMINSTER CARPET SQUARES, Linoleums (almost new), Massive Sideboard, nice 5ft. CARD TABLE, HIGH-BACK LEATHER CHAIRS, LEATHER COUCH, OVERMANTELS.

WALNUT DRAWING-ROOM CABINET. OCCA. SUITE, upholstered in Best Silk Tapestry. SOLID ASH BEACONSFIELD BEDROOM SUITE. WALNUT FENCE BEDSTEAD, with Handsome Drapes. Toilet Services, Combination Chests. M.T. Washstands, 30's Bedsteads and Bedding. Mohair Rugs, etc., etc.

SPLENDID PERAMBULATOR (almost new).

GARDEN HOSE AND IMPLEMENTS. WRIGHT'S EUREKA GAS STOVE, No. 607, Fitted Full Enamelled (practically new).

GLASS DOOR DRESSER, Kitchen Furniture, and Requisites.

Also, to be submitted at 12 o'clock, TWO SULKIES, One Open and One Hooded, Stanch PONY, 13 hands, bred by CLIFT, and TWO SETS HARNESS.

POSITIVELY NO RESERVE.

SYDNEY DAVIS, AUCTIONEER, 3 Post Office-chambers, Pitt-street.

TO SHOPKEEPERS, SHOP-FITTERS, DEALERS, ETC. On the Premises, 435A CROWN-ST, SURRY HILLS.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, AT 11 O'CLOCK. ENTIRE SHOP FITTINGS, PLANT OF HOSIERY, ETC., etc., comprising sup. Wall Shelving (fitted with drawers), superior CASH REGISTER, Chairs, Tables, Gas Fittings, Wickerwork, Tins, Sliding Sashes, P.G. Mirror, Steps, 4 pairs Scales and Weights, Drapers' Benches, Showcase, Outside Blinds, Outside Arc lamp, Sup. REVELLED P.G. WARDROBE, TYPEWRITER, Rattan Chairs, Sundries, etc.

M. GOULSTON AND COMPANY, will sell THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 11 a.m., at 435A Crown-street, Surry Hills,

TO FURNITURE BUYERS, PRIVATE BUYERS, DEALERS, ETC.

IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION, ON THE PREMISES, JAUNCEY-PLACE, BOWMAN-STREET, DRUMMOYNE (OFF VICTORIA-ROAD), NEAR POST-OFFICE.

TO-MORROW SATURDAY, at 11 a.m. sharp, THE WHOLE OF THE SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and GENERAL EFFECTS, comprising Very Superior Pianoforte, Sideboard, Overmantel, Linoleums, Tables, Chairs, Glassframes, Couch, Curtains and Poles, Carpets, Mats, Rugs.

MAGNIFICENT IMPORTED BEDROOM SUITE. HANDSOME BRASS BEDSTEAD, in perfect order, BEDDING.

DRESDEN VASES, Ornaments, Brass Fender and Irons, Kitchen Dresser, Safe, Kitchen Utensils, and a Host of Sundries.

Everything is well kept, and of excellent quality.

M. GOULSTON AND COMPANY, GENERAL AUCTIONEERS AND VALUERS, have received instructions to sell by auction, as above, TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, at 11 a.m.

Auctioneers' Offices, 243 Pitt-street. Tel., 1211 City.

UNRESERVED AUCTION SALE, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 8th OCT., at 11 A.M., AT 102 BROUGHAM-STREET, DARLINGHURST. SURPLUS FURNITURE AND EFFECTS, including WALNUT-FINISH BEDROOM SUITE. Dressing Cheval, M.T. Washstands, Aus. Chairs, Dining Table, Chiffonierre, Dresser, Carpet, Oilcloth, and Sundries.

HARRY LAWSON, AUCTIONEER, 12 POST OFFICE-CHAMBERS, PITT-STREET.

ASK for LANCASHIRE RELISH.—Delicious, dainty Made from choice Oriental fruits and spices.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 8th OCTOBER, AT 11 O'CLOCK A.M. HIGHLY IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION, at JAMES R. LAWSON AND LITTLE'S AUCTION SALE ROOMS, 128 and 130 PITT-STREET, NEAR KING-STREET.

Under instructions from F. G. SIDNEY, ESQ., IN CONSEQUENCE OF LEAVING FOR BYRON BAY; Also, FOR AND ON ACCOUNT OF VARIOUS OTHER INTERESTS.

SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND GENERAL EFFECTS, including QUANTITY OF GLASS, CHINA, AND ELECTRO-PLATE, comprising A PART SUITE OF BACCARAT TABLE GLASS.

SUPERIOR CARPETS, ROYAL AXMINSTER, AND BEST QUALITY BRUSSELS.

SOLID WALNUT DINING SUITE, Carved Walnut Frames, Upholstered in Best Morocco Leather.

SEVERAL OAK DINING SUITES. MODERN OAK SIDEBOARDS AND EXTENSION DINING TABLES.

Also, A COMPLETE SUITE OF DINING-ROOM FURNITURE (MANUFACTURED IN FUMED OAK), SPECIALLY MADE AND DESIGNED IN ENGLAND, consisting of A BARONIAL SIDEBOARD, CARVED DINNER WAGGON, 10ft EXTENSION DINING TABLE, and MASSIVE DINING-ROOM SUITE, UPHOLSTERED IN BEST MOROCCO LEATHER.

DRAWING-ROOM OCCASIONAL AND RECEPTION CHAIRS.

SUPERB CHINA CABINETS. VALUABLE PICTURES, CHOICE ORNAMENTS.

SUPERB LIPP PIANOFORTE. FULL UPRIGHT GRAND MODEL IN HANDSOME WALNUT CASE, BY THE CELEBRATED MAKERS, MESSRS. RICHARD LIPP AND SOHN, STUTTGART.

Also, SEVERAL HIGH-GRADE PIANOFORTES, BY THE LEADING MAKERS.

FUMED OAK BOOKCASE. OAK CUTLER FLAT-TOP WRITING TABLE. OAK CYLINDER FALL-FRONT DESK.

SOLID WALNUT BEDROOM SUITE. SUPERIOR OAK BEDROOM SUITE. CHIPPENDALE AND STAINED BEDROOM SUITES.

SUPERIOR BEDSTEADS AND BEDDING, and AN EXTENSIVE COLLECTION OF USEFUL FURNITURE AND HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS.

SINGER DROP-HEAD SEWING MACHINE.

AT TWELVE O'CLOCK NOON, 15-18 H.P. FORD MOTOR CAR,

4 cylinder, seats 4, in good order and condition, recently overhauled.

8-H.P. F.N. MOTOR CYCLE, in Perfect Running Order.

ON ACCOUNT OF A PRIVATE GENTLEMAN, Leaving the State.

SIX BOXES CONTAINING PERSONAL EFFECTS. MASSEY HARRIS BICYCLE, Etc., etc., etc.

JAMES R. LAWSON AND LITTLE, FURNITURE AND GENERAL AUCTIONEERS, 128-130 PITT-STREET, NEAR KING-STREET.

TELEPHONE, CENTRAL 2086.

IMPORTANT AND UNRESERVED SALE OF SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND APPOINTMENTS, on the premises, EVELYN HOUSE, BELLUBIRA POINT, ROSE BAY.

Alight at Wimulla-road, opposite Cranbrook.

HYAM HAINS has received instructions from the EXECUTORS in the ESTATE of the late Mrs. EVELYN GILES to sell by public auction, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 8th, at 11 a.m. sharp, the whole of the HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS, the same being worthy of inspection.

MAGNIFICENT WAL. OVERMANTEL, with galleries. Superior Wal. Folding Chairs, upholstered in Tapestry. Velvet Pile Wilton, Turkish and Axminster CARPETS. OAK DINING SUITE, Dinner Waggon. Massive Wal. SIDEBOARD, R. Glasses, a picture. WAL. DINING TABLE, FANCY WALL MIRRORS, pretty designs.

A number of OIL PAINTINGS, by eminent artists. MARBLE CLOCK, Bronze and other ORNAMENTS. MOHAIR HEARTH RUGS and DOOR SLIPS. Lace Curtains and Cornice Poles, Coal Scuttle. A fine-tone collection of E.P. WARE, ENTREE DISHES, etc. Assorted Glassware, Lounge Chairs. VICTOR PIANO, B. and G. Frame, a grand instrument. ROSEWOOD PIANO STOOL, FANCY TABLES, Walnut and Rosewood Occasional Chairs and Settees. AI LINOLEUM, Pedestal Stands and Jardinieres. ART OVERMANTELS, Metal Fancy Tables. WAL. HALL SUITE, WALNUT HALL RACK. WAL. HALL CABINET, BRASS FENDER and IRONS. STAIR CARPET and RODS, Carpet Squares. AUSTRIAN and ELM CHAIRS, Side Tapestry. ICE CHEST (Jack Frost), enclosed glass-top DRESSER. EUREKA GAS STOVE, No. 410, T. Glass, Egg Couches COMBINATION, and other CHESTS DRAWERS. HANDSOME BEDROOM SUITE, made to order. SINGLE WARDROBES, Duchess Toilets and Ware. Magnificent Brass-mounted BEDSTEADS and Bedding. A quantity of first-class LINEN, RUGS. Silk Tapestry, T. Rails, Commodes, W. Stands and Ware. SINGLE 4-TESTER BEDSTEADS and BEDDING. Verandah Chairs, Mangle, Garden Hose. Scythe, Lawn Mower, Ladders. A quantity of FIRST-CLASS POT PLANTS. Safes, Cutlery, Crockery, Tables. Kitchen and Laundry Utensils, miscellaneous Furniture.

NO RESERVE. TERMS, CASH. This VALUABLE PROPERTY, EVELYN HOUSE, is also for Sale on an early date. Particulars to be had from the Auctioneer.

There being a number of lines, the sale will commence at 11 A.M. SHARP.

AUCTIONEER'S OFFICES, 243 PITT-STREET. 'PHONE, 2547.

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF SYDNEY.

SALE OF OLD WOODBLOCKS.

HYAM HAINS has received instructions from the Municipal Council of Sydney to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), 9th OCTOBER, 1909, at 11 o'clock a.m. sharp, Quantity of OLD WOODBLOCKS, ELIZABETH-STREET, COMMENCING at MARKET-STREET.

NO RESERVE. TERMS CASH. THOMAS H. NESBITT, Town Clerk.

Town Hall, Sydney, 7th October, 1909.

THIS DAY.

JOHN P. LISTER will sell by Auction at his Rooms, 247A Pitt-street, the Unredeemed Pledges pawned with Mr. SIDNEY BARNETT, of 419 Crown-street, Surry Hills.

At 11 o'clock, CLOTHING, BOOTS, BLANKETS, Etc.

At 3 o'clock, SUNDRIES and JEWELLERY.

ON MONDAY NEXT, OCTOBER 11, AT 2 O'CLOCK.

To Diamond Buyers, Jewellers, Private Buyers, and

At the Auction Rooms, 247A PITT-STREET.

IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION OF VALUABLE DIAMOND JEWELLERY,

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE:—

Magnificent pair Single-stone Diamond Earrings. Fine large Single-stone Diamond Ring. Magnificent three-row Diamond Bracelet. Magnificent double-crescent Diamond Brooch. Fine Crescent and Bird Diamond Brooch. Fine Diamond and Ruby Flag Brooch. 2 Beautiful 5-stone half-hoop Diamond Rings. 3 Very Fine Diamond Marquise Rings. Handsome 12-stone Diamond Ring, etc.

JOHN P. LISTER has received instructions to sell by Auction, at his Rooms, 247A Pitt-street,

On MONDAY NEXT, OCTOBER 11, at 2 O'CLOCK, DIAMOND JEWELLERY, AS ABOVE.

ON VIEW MORNING OF SALE 9.30 TILL COMMENCEMENT OF SALE.

JOHN P. LISTER will sell by auction, at his Rooms, 247A Pitt-street, on TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12th, the Unredeemed Pledges pawned with L. M. Treen, of 104 Market-street, city, and his branch, 224 Haris-street, Pyrmont, on dates as under:

1908.—January 31, silk shirt; July 1st, cruet; 11th, arm chair; Aug. 8th, double b.b.l. gun; 24th, quilt. 2 sheets, 2 blouses, etc; Sept. 24, torpedo sewing machine, 905827; 29, either; Oct. 2, skirt; 6, 3 silk blouses; 13th, dress suit and dinner coat (in box); 23, blouse; Nov. 3, 2 blouses, sheet and cutlery in basket; Nov. 20, suit and boots; Dec. 7, silk blouse; 14th, e p egg cruet, silk blouse.

1909.—Jan. 4, lady's green cloak; 18th, brn silk dress; 26th, suit; February 5th, duchess hand-sewing machine; 8th, youth's suit; 9th, silk dress; 15th, coat, skirt; 22nd, silk dress; March 9th, silk dress, grey coat and trousers, remnt velvet; 10th, coat, silk blouse, silk skirt and silk blouse; 19th, grey suit; 15th, white silk dress; 22nd serge suit, boots, sheet, table cloth and hat; 23, serge suit, boots, sheet, table cloth and hat; 24, serge suit, boots, sheet, table cloth and hat; 25th, silk blouse and n dress; 5th, serge coat and vest, skirt, boots; 8th, suit; 10th, serge coat and vest, trousers and vest; 13, green trousers; 14, blk skirt, waterproof; 20th, coat and vest, coat; 24th, marblette sension clock; May 1st, red dress; 3, tweed suit, blue skirt, silk dress; 4th, boots, 2 flannel p coats and underskirt, serge coat, 3 silk dress, 2 dress, 1 navy cloth suit, blk silk dress, cream skirt; 8th, silk dress, boots, 10th, boots, tweed suit, green costume; 13, blk skirt; 14, girl's serge dress; 19th, red dress; 17, brn skirt and silk blouse, tweed overcoat; 18, blk skirt and sateen bodice; 19th, serge trousers and vest; 20, tweed coat and vest; 25, grey trousers; 28th, blk skirt and underskirt; 29th, coat and vest, 2 waterproofs basket 31, boy's tweed suit; 31st, serge suit; June 1, light tweed suit; 3, rch silk dress; 4th, 2 skirts w skirt and w shoes; 5th, blk skirt; 9th, gladstone bag and razor; 14th, green skirt, 14th, blk skirt, lady boots and cutter; 18, tweed suit, 2 blk skirts; 21st, lady boots; 21st, boots and shoes, boots, navy cloth suit; 22, blue cloth costume; 24, serge coat and vest; 28, serge suit.

1908.—July 14, leather bag; Sept. 28th, 18 spoons and forks and 12 knives; Oct. 12th, camera and 2 e p trays; 28th, coat and bread slicer; Nov. 12th, 5 pr forceps; Dec. 22, 3-bottle spirit stand, 6 doz fish knives and forks in case, and e p fish steel and fork; 31st, e p jam dish.

1909.—Feb. 4th, 4 doz dinner knives and forks in case; 24th, e p salver, 4 g studs, g ring (mizpah); April 19, pr black butt boots; May 8th, gladstone bag and shirts; 13th, box matt instruments; 20th, camera, etc., in case; June 4th, pr field glasses, in case; 14, e p spoons and 6 dessert forks; 5th, e p cake basket and e p toast rack; 12th, 20-inch kit bag; 15th, small barometer in case; 22nd, small stove; 23rd, telescope; also a large number of pledges upon which he and under has been lent.

L. M. TREEN, 104 Market-street, and 224 Harris-street, Pyrmont.

THIS DAY, AT 2 O'CLOCK, at 170 GEORGE-ST WEST, near Shepherd-st.

MIDDLETON and CO. sell by auction, 300 lots new and second-hand Clothing, Trousers, Vests, Coats, Shirts, Ladies' Dresses, Blouses, Jackets, Skirts, Underclothing, Boots, Bedclothing, Remnants. No reserve.

ARNOTT'S DOUBLE XX SODA BISCUITS

CONTAIN ALL THE ESSENTIALS OF A PERFECT FOOD, BEING LIGHT, UNSWEETENED, PERFECTLY BAKED, AND VERY EASILY ASSIMILATED.

ALWAYS ASK FOR ARNOTT'S.

A PUBLIC BOON. 1909 IMPROVEMENTS.—BEWARE OF IMITATIONS.

HANNAM'S BATH HEATERS & ROOM WARMERS, FOR GAS, KEROSENE, AND WOOD FUEL.

AWARDED 12 GOLD MEDALS.

HANNAM'S, LTD., PATENTEES. SHOWROOMS, 134 CASTLEREAGH-STREET, SYDNEY.

AUCTION SALES.

WYLD'S ESTATE, PENSHURST.

AUCTION SALE, NEXT SATURDAY, AT 3 P.M., ON THE GROUND,

TORRENS TITLE. 10 Per Cent. Deposit, Balance over 4 years at 8 per cent.

PICK OF DISTRICT.

In Conjunction with FRED BROWN, Hurstville, RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd.

TO-MORROW.

BETWEEN ROSEVILLE AND LINDFIELD,

ARCHBOLD HILL ESTATE.

IMPORTANT SALE OF 62 ALLOTMENTS.

TORRENS TITLE. 5 YEARS' TERMS.

SLADE AND BROWN, PROPERTY SALESMEN, 84 MOORE-STREET, AND VICTORIA-AVENUE, CHATSWOOD.

ON THE GROUND TO-MORROW.

Make a start on Saturday towards owning your home. Secure a lot on ARABI HILLS ESTATE, at your own price, on Rickard's Easy Terms.

ARABI HILLS ESTATE is in the very best residential part of the Croydon-Enfield district. It is at the highest point on the main suburban line. Fine views and pure bracing air are the results of this elevation. All the unsold lots, with two new Brick Cottages, will be offered for POSITIVE SALE. Terms from £2 deposit, £1 monthly. Call for Plan.

ARTHUR RICKARD AND CO., LTD., 84 B PITT-STREET. AUCTIONEERS AND REALTY SPECIALISTS.

OLD BUILDING MATERIALS.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 8th OCTOBER, 1909, AT 11.30 SHARP.

REMOVED FROM THE CRITERION THEATRE AND OTHER CONTRACTS for VACANT BLOCK NEXT OUR MART.

124, 126, and 128 CASTLEREAGH-STREET.

UNDER INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE CONTRACTORS FOR THE ALTERATIONS AT THE THEATRE.

GALVANISED IRON, STAIRCASES IRON SPIRAL STAIRCASE IRON FIREPROOF DOORS, with Rollers complete DOORS, SASHES, FRAMING OREGON, OLD TIMBER, and SUNDRIES.

S. H. HARRIS AND COMPANY, AUCTIONEERS.

SALVAGE. SALVAGE.

MONDAY, 11th OCTOBER, 1909,

AT 11 O'CLOCK.

IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION.

ABSOLUTELY WITHOUT RESERVE,

at the Scene of the late fire,

AT THE PREMISES OF THOMAS ANDERSON, 74 WILLIAM-STREET.

ON ACCOUNT OF WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

UNDER INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE FIRE ASSESSORS.

THE SALVAGE STOCK of GENERAL GROCERIES AND OILMEN'S STORES, comprising only the choicest and best-known brands.

TEAS, C.S.R. CO. and MILL SUGARS. FLOUR, RICE, SAGO, TAPIOCA, PEAS. STARCH, JAMS, GOLDEN SYRUP, CANNED FRUITS. HOUSEHOLD and SAND SOAPS, MUSTARD, CONDENSED MILK. BREAKFAST MEALS, PORRIDGES, COCOA. SALMON, SARDINES, HERRINGS. POTTED and CANNED MEATS, TONGUES. C. and B. ITALIAN and S.A. OLIVE OIL. C. and B. GALLARD'S, and MORTON'S PICKLES and OLIVES. SAUCES, CANDLES, MATCHES, BISCUIT CAKES, etc, etc.

LARGE ASSORTMENT OF COLONIAL WINES.

CROCKERY, LAMPWARE, TINWARE, BRUSHWARE, AND SUNDRIES.

S. H. HARRIS AND COMPANY WILL SELL THE ABOVE WITHOUT RESERVE, at the Premises, 74 WILLIAM-STREET,

ON MONDAY NEXT, AT 11 O'CLOCK.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8, On the Premises, No. 349 GEORGE-ST

LAW REPORT.

EQUITY COURT.

(Before the Chief Judge in Equity.)

SCHWARTZ v SCHMELLITSCHECK.

Mr. Gordon, K.C., Mr. Langer Owen, K.C., and Mr. Rich, instructed by Messrs. S. J. Bull and Sons, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Knox, K.C., and Mr. R. K. Manning, instructed by Messrs. Perkins, Stevenson, and Co., for the defendant.

This was a suit brought by Paul Schwartz to restrain Felix Schmellitscheck from carrying on business in Sydney in a similar business to that carried on by the Foreign Agency, of which the defendant was a former partner.

Defendant claimed that he had the right to carry on such business under the deed of dissolution, which plaintiff denied.

The case stands part heard.

(Before Mr. Justice Street.)

DISPUTE OVER PURCHASE OF PROPERTY.

Selig and another v Turtle.

Mr. Sheppard, instructed by Mr. James W. Abigall, appeared for the plaintiffs; and Mr. Alexander Gordon, K.C., and Mr. Harvey, instructed by Messrs. Harold T. Morgan and Morgan, for the defendant. This was a suit brought by Jacob Selig, of Newtown, pawnbroker, and Queenie Myrtle Asher (formerly Selig) against Ernest Alfred Turtle, to obtain a declaration from the Court that in purchasing certain land and premises at Marrickville, and in having the same conveyed to him, defendant held the trustee for Queenie Myrtle Asher; also that the amount actually paid by the defendant for the purchase of the property might be ascertained by the Court; that if it should be found that the money so paid by defendant to one John Greenan was in fact less than £350, it might be declared that the mortgage from Q. M. Asher to the defendant was a security for the actual amount so found, and no more, and for interest at the rate mentioned in the mortgage; and that defendant be ordered to repay to plaintiffs the sum of £75, and to plaintiff Asher all sums overpaid by her to defendant under the mortgage.

The defendant denied that on October 21 he was appointed plaintiffs' agent, as stated, for the purchase of the property for the sum of £425, or that he agreed to find £350, or any other balance, on receiving a mortgage from Queenie Myrtle Asher. He also denied that he was guilty of any misrepresentation, or that he concealed from the plaintiffs that he had already purchased the property for less than £425, or that he induced plaintiff to sign the agreement to purchase, or the mortgage, by the representation that he had paid or was immediately to pay Greenan the sum of £425. In the course of his evidence he stated that he said to plaintiffs, "You are getting this place from me for £425 on the following terms:—£75 deposit, and the balance, £350, to be paid by instalments of not less than £1 per week, with interest at the rate of 5 per cent. on quarterly balances." Selig said, "That is all right," and Miss Selig signed the agreement. He then told them that he would send a copy of the agreement to them, which he subsequently did. Selig never gave him instructions to purchase from Greenan in his (Selig's) daughter's name, or in his own.

In cross-examination by Mr. Sheppard witness said that when Selig called upon him first he said that the difficulty was that he had no money. Defendant said that if he got an overdraft on behalf of Selig he (defendant) would have to guarantee the account by paying in an amount of money on fixed deposit. He also said he would require good consideration for the service, and that Selig would have to pay 6 or 6½ per cent. interest. Selig would not agree to that, and defendant said to him, "If I can buy the property myself for a less sum by paying cash for it, will you purchase the property from me for £425 and pay me interest for being kept out of my money?" To this Selig assented.

Mr. Sheppard: Do you think it is a fair transaction to buy for yourself from the owner at a lower price, so long as the purchaser from you got the property at the price he offered?—Yes, if he.

Q: But did you not look upon yourself as the agent of the person who made the offer?—No; I looked upon myself as the agent of the vendor, who wanted cash.

Q: Did you inform the person buying from you what price you had given to the vendor?—No.

Q: And you never told the plaintiffs at any time what you had given for the property?—No.

Witness, continuing, said he paid Greenan £350, less the commission, which the vendor consented to pay.

Plaintiff Selig was called in reply, and said it was not true that defendant said to him that he would buy the property himself and pay cash for it if he could get it sufficiently cheap to leave him a margin to pay him for being kept out of his money, nor did witness say, "All right, I don't care." Defendant did not say, "Then I can buy the property at a reduced price on paying cash and sell it to you on the terms mentioned," or anything to that effect.

The argument of counsel is not yet concluded.

BANKRUPTCY COURT.

(Before Mr. Justice Street.)

SEQUESTRATION ORDER SET ASIDE.

Re Robert Hall, of Rookwood. Mr. L. B. Bertram appeared for Robert Hall in support of an appeal from the decision of the Registrar in Bankruptcy of September 9 last. Mr. Kershaw (of Messrs. Kershaw, Matthews, and Lane), appeared for the respondents, Reginald Myles Allerding, Ltd., and Hubert Hayward Dawes, the petitioning creditors, upon whose application the sequestration order appealed against was made. The main grounds of the appeal have already been given. When the hearing of the matter was resumed the agreement between Hall and Dawes for the purchase of a phonograph by the former was produced.

After argument,

His Honor said that the appeal must succeed on the second ground taken by the appellant, namely, "That the Registrar was in error in finding as a matter of law that the aggregate amount of debts owing to the several creditors amounted to £50, and that the debts were all liquidated sums payable either immediately or at some certain future time, either in law or in equity." As the matter was presented to the Registrar it was stated that an aggregate sum of £50 was owing to three creditors, and that was verified by affidavits couched in general terms of the creditors. The debtor in his evidence said that the debt to Dawes was not owing, nor that whatever arrangement was come to with reference to the phonograph, was under a hiring agreement. The Registrar refused Mr. Bertram's application for the production of that agreement, and on the present appeal he renewed that application. The agreement had been produced, and it failed altogether to show that there was at present a debt of £9 6s 2d payable to petitioner Dawes; and his affidavit was insufficient to support the claim. The agreement, though ambiguously worded, purported, on the face of it, to be a hiring agreement, and the phonograph did not become the property of Hall until paid for. There was no provision in it that upon default in the payment of any of the instalments the whole sum should become due. The aggregate debts of the petitioning creditors had therefore not been shown to be £50.

Appeal allowed, and petition dismissed; petitioning creditors to pay costs of petition and appeal.

(Before the Registrar, Mr. F. H. Salusbury.)

CERTIFICATE APPLICATION.

Re William Allison Clark. Mr. Loxton, instructed by Messrs. Kershaw, Matthews, and Lane, appeared for the bankrupt, and applied for a certificate of discharge. It was shown that the proved creditors had been paid in accordance with the order of April 27, 1897. The report of the official assignee of the 6th instant was read, and bankrupt having been examined by the official assignee and by Mr. Loxton, the Registrar ordered that a certificate of discharge should be issued.

MOTION FOR RELEASE.

Re George Pritchard. An order releasing the estate was granted, subject to the payment of £5 5s to the official assignee.

Re Frederick William Pigg. Mr. C. M. Drew (of Messrs. Rand and Drew) appeared for the bankrupt. The Registrar ordered the release of the estate on payment to the official assignee of £6 6s, in addition to court fees and out-of-pocket expenses.

VOLUNTARY SEQUESTRATIONS.

Mary Jane O'Connell and Maude Steer, of Bellingen, trading as O'Connell and Steer, boarding-house keepers. Mr. C. F. W. Lloyd, official assignee.

John Francis Robinson, of Laura station, near Bundarra, labourer; Mr. W. H. Palmer, official assignee.

John Edmund Burke, of Murwillumbah. Mr. Lloyd, official assignee.

Ah Choy, of Croydon Park, Croydon, gardener and greengrocer. Mr. C. F. W. Lloyd, official assignee.

DISTRICT COURT.

(Before Judge Murray.)

ALLEGED BREACH OF AGREEMENT.

George Richard Irving, dairy farmer, of Penrith, proceeded against William Cameron and Lydia Dunk, wife of H. R. Dunk, trading as the Sydney Milk and Ice Company, for the recovery of £200 for alleged breach of agreement.

Plaintiff alleged that defendants accepted a supply of milk from his dairy herd for only a portion of the period agreed upon, and then refused to accept it for the remainder of the term. The defendants pleaded that they did not agree, as alleged; that the plaintiff was not always ready and willing to carry out the agreement, and that they were not guilty of the alleged breach.

Mr. Pickburn, instructed by Messrs. John M'Laughlin and Son, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Davey, instructed by Mr. F. J. Clines, for the defendants.

After hearing the evidence, his Honor reserved judgment.

QUARTER SESSIONS.

(Before Judge Backhouse and juries.)

Mr. Herbert Harris prosecuted.

BREAKING AND ENTERING.

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The jury returned a verdict of guilty, and Chinnery was remanded for sentence.

ENTERING A DWELLING-HOUSE.

James William Davidson, aged 21, was charged with having entered a dwelling-house with intent to commit a felony. He pleaded not guilty, and was undefended. It was stated that on August 12, Mr. Edward Hungerford was lying awake in his room in a boarding-house, at Lavender Bay, when he saw a head appear round the door. He immediately called out, and the head disappeared. He picked up a stick, and went out into the hall. The curtains moved, and he hit at them, when Davidson, who was behind the curtains, caught hold of the stick, and rushed at him. Davidson was subsequently placed in charge. On the way to the station he attempted to escape, and a struggle ensued, resulting in the constable being tripped up, and his clothes torn. He was subsequently handled with the assistance of two other officers. The case was remanded until yesterday morning, as the magistrate found that there was no power to make a person pay a fare for a basket, although he could be proceeded against for placing the basket so as to inconvenience other passengers. Yesterday morning Senior-sergeant Manley informed the magistrate that the Tramway Department had notified that it did not desire to press any charge. The senior-sergeant also said that the police were satisfied that the assault was not one prompted by malice, but by a desire to escape. There was a well-defined line between the two, therefore he urged that the magistrate might extend any leniency that he could. Mr. Love remarked that he was satisfied that there was no malice in the assault, and fined Hanrahan £1 or seven days for the assault, and 2s 6d for damaging the uniform. The accused was also ordered to pay 11s 6d, the extent of damage to the uniform.

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LAW NOTICES.

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SUPREME COURT.

In Chambers.—At 10 a.m.: Crawley v Gilmson, for set off (part heard).

In Equity.—Before the Chief Judge in Equity.—At 10 a.m.: Motions generally. Huston v Hayes, motion to continue injunction; re will of Thos. Oliver and Conveyancing Act, petition for leave to sell; Permanent Trustee Company v Fahey, originating summons; Garnock v Garnock, originating summons; re C. A. Clift and Conveyancing Act, petition for leave to sell; Hemens v Hemens, summons for rehearing of originating summons; Roxburgh v Hardy, originating summons; Rogers v Rogers, originating summons; Municipality of Liverpool v Brooks, motion for decree. Before Mr. Justice Street, No. 1, Jury Court.—At 11 a.m.: Selig v Turtle (part heard). Before the Master in Equity.—At 10 a.m.: Re Mary Morrison and Conveyancing Act, application of claims, etc.; at 2 p.m., Bowman v Shorter, to settle minutes of order; 2.15 p.m., Woy Luing v Woy Chun, to settle minutes of order; 2.30 p.m., Cowell v Breen, to settle minutes of decree; 2.45 p.m., Hyman v Hymso, to settle minutes of order; 3 p.m., Permanent Trustee Company v Martin, to settle minutes of order. Before the Deputy Registrar.—11 a.m., N.S.W. Branch of British Medical Association and Companies Act, to settle minutes of order; 2.15 p.m., Attorney-General v Oskar Lagerquist, Ltd., to tax costs.

Probate Jurisdiction.—The following accounts will be taken at the Probate Office:—William Geary, Sir George Bishop, Ltd; G. S. Simpson, 11.30; Catherine Quig, 12; William Falconer, 12.30. Before the Registrar, at 11 a.m.: Re George Perry, to settle minutes of order.

In Bankruptcy.—Before the Registrar.—At 10 a.m.: Creditors' petitions, James Mackay v George Postle, the City Mutual Life Assurance Society, Ltd., v Walter Joseph Moore. Examination under section 30, Matthew M'Kean. Confirmation of accounts and plans.

In Lunacy.—Before the Master.—At 10.15 a.m.: Re insane patient, for direction. At 11 a.m: Re insane person, deceased, to settle draft certificate.

Before the Chief Clerk.—At 11 a.m.: Re insane person, to pass account for direction.

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES ACT.

Before his Honor Judge Heydon.—At 10 a.m.: To be struck out, summonses under section 55, N.S.W. Amalgamated Railway, etc., Association v T. Booth, same v H. Wells, same v E. G. Morris; Journeymen Tailors' Association v H. Kulharvey. For hearing: Summonses for penalty, J. J. Morrish v Daniel O'Brien, S. H. Watson v C. P. Hyland and T. F. Hyland, trading as Penfold and Co. Industrial Registrar's Office, Queen's-square.—Before the Industrial Registrar.—At 10.30 a.m.: To be mentioned, re Aerated Waters award, application by B. Heming-way.

DISTRICT COURT.

Before his Honor Judge Murray, at 10 a.m.—Examinations of judgment debtors (in Chambers in No. 2 Court): Pinch v Robson, Kruse v Brewer, Macfie v Lindley, Lauer v Fagan, Metters and another v Lloyd, Adam v Hawthorne, King v Donald, Paton v Foulds. Motions generally (in No. 1 Court): Ray v Abel, Singleton v Arthur Rickard and Co., Ltd.; Premier Finance Company, Ltd., v Davis; Bennetts v Mansergh, the Port Jackson and Manly Steamship Co., Ltd., against Defendant. Cases (not before 11 a.m.): Lambert v Duffield Hopkins, Ltd.; Stephenson v Beaumont, Harrold v Beaumont.

SYDNEY QUARTER SESSIONS.

Laura Reveridge, stealing from the person; Thomas Roberts, stealing in a dwelling; Arthur Simpson, robbery.

POLICE COURTS.

ASSAULTING HIS WIFE.

Before Mr. Donaldson, S.M., yesterday, at the North Sydney Police Court Timothy Mahoney, 43, pensioner, was charged with having on October 3 unlawfully assaulted Emma Mahoney. The complainant stated that he pointed a gun to the effect that on Sunday last accused would not let her into the house, and threw a brick at her, which struck her on the arm. He then came in his hand, and threatened to cut her throat if she did not leave the premises. Accused said that he accidentally threw a stone at his wife and hit her, as she was in habitual drunkard and struck him when drunk. A fine of £3 was imposed, or in default six weeks' imprisonment.

UNLAWFUL REMOVAL OF GRAVEL.

At the North Sydney Summons Court yesterday, before Mr. Donaldson, S.M., Frank Jenkins and John Rosskelly were proceeded against for having damaged property at Willoughby by removing gravel from it. In each case defendant was fined £2, with 6s costs, and was ordered to pay 10s for the damage done, or go to gaol for 14 days.

MISCONDUCT IN TRAM CAR.

Edgar Hatton, 47, a bookmaker, pleaded guilty yesterday, at the Central Police Court, to a charge of having used insulting words in a tramcar to David Henry Smart on October 6. Prosecutor stated that he was the driver of a tramcar of a cloth at one time with the defendant, who, owing to a certain matter, had entertained a grievance against him. On the day in question witness was in charge of a car, and after full compartment. Defendant also entered, and sat between two women, one of whom he addressed rudely. The woman began to cry. Witness, not to protest, but the defendant turned on him and said, "You are one of my prosecutors." Witness replied, "Leave me out;" whereupon defendant said he would "do" him on the next holiday. "If I get you in a quiet place I will serve you as I did——(mentioning some name). Defendant still continued to use threats. He was under the influence of liquor, and was subsequently given in charge. Witness intimated that he would like the magistrate to deal severely with the defendant.

A fine of £5, with the alternative of two months' imprisonment, was imposed. Defendant was also ordered to enter into a recognisance to be of good behaviour for six months.

AN IRISHMAN'S EXCITABILITY.

A young Irish labourer, named Edward Hanrahan, appeared at the Central Police Court on Wednesday, before Mr. Love, S.M., on a charge of having assaulted Constable Vendeuren. Hanrahan appeared, had placed a basket alongside him on a tram seat. When the conductor informed him that he would have to pay a fare for the basket, Hanrahan became excited, and was subsequently placed in charge. On the way to the station he attempted to escape, and a struggle ensued, resulting in the constable being tripped up, and his clothes torn. He was subsequently handled with the assistance of two other officers. The case was remanded until yesterday morning, as the magistrate found that there was no power to make a person pay a fare for a basket, although he could be proceeded against for placing the basket so as to inconvenience other passengers. Yesterday morning Senior-sergeant Manley informed the magistrate that the Tramway Department had notified that it did not desire to press any charge. The senior-sergeant also said that the police were satisfied that the assault was not one prompted by malice, but by a desire to escape. There was a well-defined line between the two, therefore he urged that the magistrate might extend any leniency that he could. Mr. Love remarked that he was satisfied that there was no malice in the assault, and fined Hanrahan £1 or seven days for the assault, and 2s 6d for damaging the uniform. The accused was also ordered to pay 11s 6d, the extent of damage to the uniform.

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CRUISE OF THE PACIFIC.

RETURN OF H.M.S. CAMBRIAN.

AN INTERESTING TOUR.

After an absence of 10 months from Sydney, H.M.S. Cambrian, one of the three second-class cruisers on the Australian station, has returned to port, and berthed at Garden Island. She left here on December 9 last year for New Zealand, and visited all the principal ports of the Dominion.

An extended cruise of the Pacific, occupying upwards of six months, was commenced from Auckland on February 6. Visits were first of all paid to Rarotonga, in the Cook Group; Tahiti, a French possession; Christmas Island, where the Australian-owned steamer Aeon was wrecked; and Fanning Island, where the Pacific Cable Board's cable station is situated.

H.M.S. Flora, attached to the China station, was met at Honolulu in March, and the two vessels continued the cruise in company. "As a matter of fact," remarked one of the officers yesterday, "the Cambrian and Flora only lost sight of one another for 24 hours on two occasions during the whole of the cruise, which proved an extremely interesting one to all concerned."

Calls were made at Acapulco (Mexico), San Jose (Guatemala), La Union Amapala (Honduras), Corinto (Nicaragua), Punta Arenas (Chile), Panama, Callao (Peru), Iquique (Chile), Coquimbo (Chile), Valparaiso (Chile), Easter Island, Pitcairn Island, Tahiti, and Suva (Fiji).

The visit to Pitcairn Island, where the mutineers of the Bounty formed their first settlement in 1790, created a great impression on the minds of the islanders, whose mode of living is of a primitive character. Most of the descendants of the original mutineers were transferred many years ago to Norfolk Island.

The officers and crew of the cruisers were especially interested in Easter Island, and the historic stone houses, sculptured stones, and gigantic figures cut out in trachyte lava were inspected by all hands. The cruise was without incident, but several sensational experiences were narrowly escaped. Shortly after leaving two of the South American ports rebellions broke out, and the Cambrian had not left Acapulco many hours before a disastrous tidal wave submerged portion of the seaport town.

At the conclusion of the cruise the Cambrian called at Thursday Island in August, and accompanied by the Flora, proceeded on to Batavia, and then on to Colombo, where both warships were recommissioned. The relief crews arrived from Portsmouth by H.M.S. Terrible, and the exchange took place on September 7. The Flora then left for the China station, and the Cambrian sailed on September 11 for Sydney.

Captain Edward W. E. Wemyss is now in charge of the Cambrian, and the other officers are:—Lieut. A. S. Burt, Lieut. H. S. L. Pennell, Lieut. E. G. Morris, Lieut. J. S. C. Hilton, Engineer-commander Thos. Cleary, Engineer-lieut. W. J. Deane, Staff-surgeons W. L. Martin, F.R.C.S., and S. H. Wood, M.D., B.A., Staff-paymaster Pearson, Sub-lieut. Ross, Assistant Paymaster S. Finnis, Torpedo-gunner R. Broderick, Gunner W. Hooper, Carpenter T. Weeks, Artificer-engineers H. Boaden and R. Wright.

The Engineer-commander, Engineer-lieutenant, and Artificer World were on the previous commission.

AUSTRALIAN BOOT TRADE.

UNIFORM WAGES WANTED.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The hearing of the action taken by the Australian Boot Trade Employees' Federation against 39 employers or firms of employers in Victoria, New South Wales, Queensland, and South Australia in connection with a claim for increased wages and improved working conditions was resumed in the Commonwealth Arbitration Court on Wednesday. The principal features of the claim are for 1s 4d per hour throughout the Commonwealth, a reduction in hours of work from 48 to 44 per week, and the limitation of the proportion of apprentices to journeymen. Mr. Beeby, counsel for claimants, in answer to a question by Mr. Justice Higgins, said it was desired that where piecework conditions were affected by the introduction of machinery amended rates of pay should be arranged between a trade committee and the employer.

Mr. Harkness (representing Smalley and Harkness, respondents) pointed out that if clause 22 of the claim were established piecework alone would prevail. If children's work could be done cheaply a minimum wage the price for the cheaper lines would be raised to poor people.

Mr. Justice Higgins: My duty is to see that boots are not made cheap for one poor person at the expense of the life blood of another poor person. There is a limit to cheapness.

FIRE AT A BOX FACTORY.

DAMAGE OVER £2000.

NEWCASTLE, Thursday.

At about 5 o'clock this morning fire occurred in a box factory carried on by Mr. Frederick Vickers, of Broadmeadow, at Railway-street, Wickham. The Wickham, Tighe's Hill, Islington, and City fire brigades were summoned, but the flames had obtained a fierce hold on the highly inflammable material, and despite the splendid work of the firemen the building and its contents could not be saved. The blaze, however, showed a tendency to spread to adjoining wooden cottages on each side, and the firemen had a hard fight in the endeavour to save these. Both were slightly damaged by fire and water. The factory, however, was totally destroyed, together with the plant and its contents.

The building was owned by Mr. T. Thomas Hardyman, and was insured for £250 in the Queensland Fire Insurance Company. Of the contents, which were the property of Mr. Vickers, were insured for £2000 in the Royal Fire Insurance Company. One of the cottages, which is owned by Mr. Marshall, of Newtown, Sydney, was damaged to the extent of about £25. The other cottage suffered more severely, the damage being estimated at £75. It was owned by Mr. John Smart, and is insured in the Mercantile Mutual Company for £160.

Mr. Vicars estimates the damage to the timber and plant at about £2000, and this will be covered by insurance.

CANECUTTERS' STRIKE.

SIXTY MEN TO WORK.

GERALDTON (Q.), Thursday.

Sixty men from Sydney have arrived to work at Goondi. They came in the Miranda to Flying Fish Point, and transhipped to the Caroo. When the Caroo was passing up the river the crowds on the wharfs cheered the men. Near the A.U.S.N. wharf a large number of strikers commenced to hoot, but Inspector Malone and mounted troopers were there, and the strikers moderated their voices. The men landed at Goondi. A number of strikers on the other side of the river sang out, "Come into the camp." The new arrivals, however, did not heed them, and expressed their willingness to start work at once.

There was some excitement in the street on Wednesday afternoon when the Bentnall gang got their provisions ready to start work. Organiser M'Donald tried to persuade the men not to do so. A crowd gathered, all being in sympathy with the gang. A lot of cutters present backed the gang up, and the organiser had to abandon his mission. Seven have signified their intention of starting cutting.

STORM AT SINGLETON.

SINGLETON, Thursday.

A severe dust storm at Singleton on Sunday evening did a good deal of damage. Trees were bowed to the ground, and broken limbs and boughs were to be seen everywhere. The full force of the storm was encountered at the railway station. About 36ft of the iron covering of the main platform was stripped from the rafters, a quantity of the wreckage falling on the permanent way. A few sheets of the iron were curled into a roll, and one piece was driven clean into the slate roof. Signboards were displaced, and the glass top of one of the platform lamps was blown off and smashed. Out at Glendon a man named W. Shepherd, while engaged in trying to secure the roof of a shed, which had become disturbed by the wind, was blown to the ground together with some of the upper portion of the building on which he was working. He escaped with several bruises and a rather severe shaking.

REFERENDUM ALTERATION BILL.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Leave was granted by the Senate to the Vice-President of the Executive Council (Senator Millen) to-day to introduce a bill to amend the Referendum (Constitution) Alteration Act, 1906. The bill seeks to make alterations to bring the Act into line with recent amendments in the Electoral Act.

There is nothing else "just as good" as NESTLE'S MILK.—Advt.

The current issue of the "Sydney Mail" has some excellent illustrations in connection with the shearing season. Among the pictures are: Counting Out the Shorn Sheep, Church Service in a Shearing Shed, Back to the Paddocks, The Baling Process, Sorting the Wool.—Advt.

TRAMWAY CONGESTION.

AN OUTER CIRCLE LINE.

EASTERN AND WESTERN CONNECTION.

THE MINISTER IMPRESSED.

It is not improbable that the tramway system of Sydney and suburbs will undergo some radical changes within the next few years. According to speeches made by the Minister for Works from time to time, the Government realises that something will have to be done to overcome the congestion of traffic in the city. As an earnest of his own conviction in this respect, Mr. Lee welcomed a suggestion made to him yesterday by a large deputation representing the councils of Newtown, Waterloo, Alexandria, Erskineville, St. Peters, and Randwick. This was that a tramway to connect the eastern and western suburbs and relieve the city should be constructed from Newtown to Waterloo, and then on to Randwick.

Mr. Hollis, M.L.A. (who introduced the deputation, in the absence of Mr. Dacey, M.L.A.), said it was urgently desired to have this direct communication between the western and eastern suburbs. There was a heavy population in the districts that the proposed tramway would serve. The Cleveland-street tramway arrangement would not in any way meet the requirements. What the councils desired was a tramway which, whilst serving to connect the eastern and western suburbs, would also afford an outlet from these places to the Cricket Ground, the Royal Agricultural Society's ground and the Randwick racecourse. There were three routes, and the deputation would leave it to the Minister to say which should be accepted. All were from Newtown to Dacey-avenue, Dowling-street, Moore Park. One would branch off at the Newtown Bridge, and proceed by way of Erskineville-road to the Erskineville railway station, and connect thence with the Henderson's-road tram to Botany-road, Bourke-street, and Dacey-avenue. Another route was from Erskineville-road, via Swanston-street, to Mitchell-road, joining the St. Peters tram; thence down Fountain-street to M'Evoy and Lachlan streets, to Moore Park. The third proposal was from St. Peters Bridge to Harley-street, via Mitchell-road, and thence by a new construction of 55 chains to the end of Bourke-street.

The deputation, which had been waiting an hour to see the Minister, had little more than become comfortably seated when Mr. Lee admitted that there was some "merit in the proposals."

Mr. Hollis interposed that there were "a lot of speakers if necessary."

"I see there are," replied the Minister. "I'm glad to see them. But it's not necessary that they should address me on this matter. I am impressed with what you have made clear to me, and I can give the deputation my answer at once. It is this: That I think the suggestions are well worth considering; and that I will have the whole matter investigated and a special report thereon prepared by the engineer-in-chief for tramway construction."

Aldermen Willis ("say a few words," but they left satisfied to be silent this time.

THE MISSING LINK.

BETWEEN TWO RAILWAY SYSTEMS.

FINLEY TO TOCUMWAL.

MR. LEE REFUSES A CONNECTION.

Messrs. Peters, M'Garry, and Scobie, M.L.A., headed a deputation to the Minister for Works yesterday, representative of the Tocumwal Farmers' Union and Progress Association of the Berrigan and Wunnamurra shires. It was asked that a railway connection should be made between Finley and Tocumwal, a distance of about 12 miles. The line, it was explained, could be constructed at a cost of £30,000, and would have the effect of making payable the railway from Narrandera to the Murray, which was now a non-payable one. If the connection were made farmers on the Victorian side would be likely to use the Sydney market, and the opinion was expressed that produce and stock would still come to Sydney. The farmers' market was the railway station. They were paid so much per ton of deliverage at the railway. The line, furthermore, would facilitate the removal of stock and wool from the Riverina, to say nothing of the passenger traffic that would be encouraged. The natural outlet from Victoria was described to be in this direction, where the land was much cheaper. The gap between Finley and Tocumwal actually represented the missing link between the Victorian and the New South Wales railway systems.

Mr. M'Garry in his speech was willing to admit that Sydney would lose a little trade. Nevertheless, his opinion was that if the Government should look to the interests of the producers.

Mr. Lee said he was not in favour of the construction of the line, as it would not be in the interests of New South Wales to do so. When the Victorian line was extended to Tocumwal it was done in order that a rival town (Strathmerton) might not expand at the expense of Tocumwal. The construction of this connection would drain this part of New South Wales trade to Melbourne, and thus leave the existing railway to Finley a bigger loss than it already was. The extension to Finley was carried out for development purposes for the good of New South Wales, and not for the special benefit of Victoria. The Minister said he was opposed to giving the connection, other wheat-growing centres being in much greater need of railway communication.

RIFLE RANGES WANTED.

AT JUNEE AND GEORGE'S RIVER.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

In the House of Representatives Mr. Chanter (N.S.W.) asked the Minister for Defence what steps were being taken to provide the rifle clubs in the Junee district with a suitable range. The Minister replied that before finally dealing with the matter the department was waiting further particulars from the District Commandant. There were difficulties in securing a lease of a suitable area, or in obtaining permission to construct a range on private property in the district.

Mr. Johnson (N.S.W.) asked the Minister for Defence whether he was in a position to state what sites were available for rifle ranges on or adjacent to the George's River military reserve. Mr. Joseph Cook replied that the District Commandant had not yet fully reported to the department. The matter would be expedited as much as possible.

INSTRUCTION STAFF OFFICERS.

FREE MEDICAL ATTENDANCE.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

In the House of Representatives to-day Mr. Crouch (Vic.) asked the Minister for Defence whether officers and non-commissioned officers of the instructional staff were entitled to free medical attention, and whether any officer had at any time been refused attendance. Mr. Cook replied that they were entitled to free medical attendance provided they lived within the area provided by regulations. To grant medical attendance throughout the Commonwealth would involve expenditure impossible to estimate. Approval had been given, however, for the payment by the department of entrance fees, etc., of such warrant and non-commissioned officers of the instructional staff stationed in country districts to become honorary members of friendly societies, in order that they, together with their wives and families, could receive free medical attendance.

TELEGRAPHIC DELAYS.

DUE TO RACE MEETING.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The Postmaster-General said yesterday that he had made inquiries into complaints regarding the recent telegraphic delays between Melbourne, Sydney, and Brisbane.

"It seems that there have been no actual breakdowns," said Sir John Quick. "The wires are working up to their full capacity, and are capable of meeting the ordinary requirements of the public. There has been, however, a rush of business owing to the races, and that has led to the delay of some press messages, which are not entitled to precedence. So far as Brisbane is concerned, there have been insufficient lines. The sum of £7729 is provided on the Estimates for an extra line from Sydney to the Queensland border. Another line is also being erected between Brisbane and Toowoomba."

HOMING PIGEONS RACE.

A WORLD'S RECORD.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

In connection with the Oodnadatta homing pigeon race this week a bird owned by Mr. J. Tibey, a resident of Hindmarsh, flew from Oodnadatta to Hindmarsh, a distance of 544 miles 1034 yards, in 7 hours 49 minutes 46 seconds, equivalent to 2040 yards per minute for the whole journey. This is a world's record in velocity for the distance. Mr. Tibey will probably be the winner of the race when all the times are worked out.

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"I think Dorrigo demands a railway," said the chief engineer for new construction, Mr. W. Hutchinson, to the Public Works Committee, which continued its inquiry into the Coramba-Dorrigo railway yesterday. "If the Government are prepared to go to the cost of a standard gauge railway—which I know this committee cannot on this inquiry recommend—I think a standard gauge railway ought to be built. If the Government is not prepared to grant the money for a broad gauge line, then a narrow gauge line is well worth building there. When first I went into the question I thought Dorrigo would be well served by a narrow gauge line. But the way is so good—I have had the advantage of seeing it since—that I think the Dorrigo ought to be given a broad gauge line if it can be done within a reasonable time."

Mr. Hutchinson said he realised that this committee could not recommend a broad gauge line without the delay involved in having the question recommitted to them. He understood that the Minister intended this line to be a feeder of the North Coast line, which it would join at Coramba. Even if the Dorrigo railway were not made, the Dorrigo people would be very much benefited by the North Coast line. The road was being built—was in hand, he thought, at the present moment. For heavy loads coming from Dorrigo it would be a down grade almost all the way. The Dorrigo people would be better able to wait for a standard gauge line when that road was finished.

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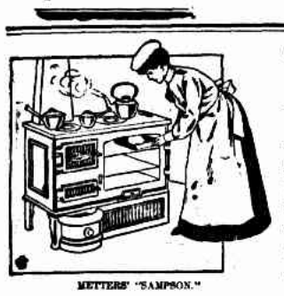

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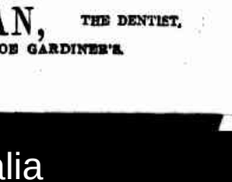

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FARM AND STATION.

CO-OPERATION AMONGST BREEDERS.

Recently we referred to the likelihood of farmers in the Cowra district uniting to purchase a first-class draught stallion for their common use, with the object of improving the breed of farmhorses locally. The scheme is perfectly practical, and a great deal more might be done in a similar direction amongst our farmers. The standard of our dairy cattle might be raised considerably if the use of pure-bred high-class sires could be more availed of, and there can be no doubt it is advisable that it should be raised. The value of the pure-bred sire and adherence to type in breding are beyond question, if type is to be maintained, and the dairy farmers' cheques, as a body, would be much bigger if the many scrub bulls that exist amongst our herds were knocked on the head. The infusion of good blood, accompanied by rigorous testing of the cows, would soon alter the average yield of milk throughout the State. The latter can be accomplished by the formation of cow-testing associations, and it is a matter of surprise that these have not been established in our dairying districts, particularly on the Northern Rivers. Somehow our dairy farmers take a long while to support any new movement, or to realise its benefit. It would be worth while, not only forming cow-testing associations to ascertain if the milkers are paying for their keep or not—for such associations have been proved of the greatest practical value elsewhere—but for farmers to also consider whether they cannot co-operate to secure the possession of a few high-class pure-bred bulls for common use. Most farmers are quite seised of the value of good blood of proved milking strain, and would be only too willing to use the same if they could. But there are many things all of us would like to do only for the all-important factor of cost. Pure-bred bulls, with an established family history, mean money, and the average dairy farmers, or, at least, a great proportion of them, are not in the position to pay the price, no matter how much they might appreciate the value of such stock. These things are measured by the bank account, and many valuable improvements, such as milking machines, silos, and better stock, have to simply wait until the overdraft is reduced. In such cases cannot a lot be done by co-operation, by obtaining the strength of unity? One farmer may not be able to finance the purchase of a high-class bull, but several farmers together should easily manage it. To be effective it would be necessary to possess more than one sire to build up a breed. The matter is not one of theory altogether, as such a system is at work in the United States.

Last year associations were formed in the State of Michigan, the Department of Agriculture initiating the movement for the purpose of effecting an improvement in live stock. The plan has been to bring under the notice of farmers the value of co-operation as a means to this end. If in one neighbourhood a number of farmers whose combined number of cows reached forty are willing to act together that number constitutes one organised part of the association. Then, by getting a couple more groups of farmers to act similarly, the three branches constitute the co-operative association. The members of the association decide upon the breed that they are going to adhere to, and select the sires, being assisted in this by the experts of the department. When they join, members agree to breed from the sires selected for a term of six years. A sire is placed in each of the three branches of the association, and after they have been used for two years, a general change round is made. The sire that has been used in branch No. 1 is sent to branch No. 2, No. 2 sire to No. 3, and No. 3 to No. 1. The sires are used for another two years, when there is another change about; then again at the end of the fourth year there is another change made, so that each branch has the use of pure-bred sires for six years, but no one sire longer than two years. The results brought about by such a system of up-grading are apparent. At the end of the second year each member should have some heifers sired by the pure-bred bull, and by the change of sires he can continue to breed to another pure sire of the same breed without any extra expense for the purchase of the sire. At the end of the fourth year there will be heifers with two crosses of pure-bred sires, and still another chance to breed for another cross without extra expense. At the end of the six years some of the stock belonging to the members of the association will be three parts pure, and if in the beginning the grade cattle and the milking cows of the herd generally are well sorted out, only the best paying being kept, it follows that a very fine herd of nearly pure-bred cattle will have been built up by a process which would probably be financially impossible if the owner had to rely upon his own resources to accomplish the same end. That there may be some difficulties in the way of working such an organisation is certain, for few things worth having are obtained without difficulty; but the method appears a splendid one for uplifting the grade of dairy cattle, and a systematic method of thus breeding to the one type is certainly far more valuable and effective than the haphazard cross-breeding that rules in so many cases at present, until the original type becomes hopelessly lost, and the result is a mongrel herd with a diminished milk flow and diminished returns. We would like to see the plan discussed by practical dairymen, always remembering that it is suggested to meet the position of those who are unable to individually improve their herds by the use of such sires, owing to the cost of same.

ITEMS.

The Canterbury (N.Z.) Agricultural and Pastoral Association has ordered a hundred little owls from Germany, and a portion of the order was delivered on September 26. The owls are liberated in fruitgrowing districts in order to lessen the pest of small birds. Already there are many so employed in Southern New Zealand, and an Otago fruitgrower gives emphatic testimony in their favour. He states that owing to the ravages committed by small birds, who came to his orchards in tens of thousands, he had to abandon fruitgrowing, but already the owls have done an immense amount of good. Formerly he had endeavoured to drive away the birds by shooting them, but since the arrival of the owls he had not found it necessary to fire a shot. The latter killed wax-eyes, finches, green linnets, thrushes, blackbirds, and sparrows, and also preyed on mice, rats, and young rabbits. On one occasion he saw two owls assault and kill a half-grown rabbit. They feed their young on caterpillars, grubs, and beetles.

The Queensland fruit crop promises to be a record one. In the Stanthorpe district, across the border from Tenterfield, where the best fruits are grown in the northern State, the prospects for stone sorts were never better. The apple crop is not so uniformly good, although the trees have blossomed well in places. Large areas are being prepared with the object of increasing the number of trees. Efforts to keep down the fruit fly have been fairly successful.

Mangold production is on the increase in New Zealand. The smaller roots are excellent food for sheep and cattle, especially in the case of dairy cows. The tubers store well. The crop costs no more to produce than other root products. Besides, mangolds, being deep rooters, are suitable for dry districts. They do not exhaust the soil, which is a great advantage. A deep, rich soil is the best, but at Canterbury the crop does well on the light soils.

It is likely that at an early date something will be heard of a combination formed to deal with prickly-pear as an article of commerce in Australia, especially in Queensland, where so many millions of acres of land have become infested. The analyses made by chemists of standing indicate that the pear did not consist of fibre in sufficient quantity to lead to the hope that the plant may be put to commercial uses, but it is said that the syndicate formed has some other opinions of so favourable a nature that operations are to be started on a big scale. English capitalists, all names well known in Australia, have given their adherence to the scheme, and plenty of money is said to be available for an immediate start. It is understood that some proposition is to be made to the Governments interested with the object of starting the manufacture of paper.

The "Fruit World" writes:—"It is certain that the moth will deposit its eggs where they will adhere best, and in places most readily accessible to the ovipositer of the moth. The young apple is protected on the outside of the fruit to the tips of the calyx with downy hairs to keep the young embryo apple warm, and to protect the developing flower stamens and pistils from sudden chill by frost; this downy covering on the outside is preferred by the moth to the inside of the calyx, which is not so covered, having been the interior portions of the protected bud. So that nothing is surer than that the eggs are laid mostly on the outside of the young apple, anywhere from the base of the fruit to the apex of the calyx, or on the adjoining leaves, and rarely in the calyx cup itself. Then when hatched the young worm seeks the natural protection of the calyx cup, and enters between the fleshy stamens when the apple is of much larger growth, and finds an easy way into the core, or after feeding in the calyx it may make its way to the outside, where the flesh is softer than the calyx end of the apple. We have never yet read or heard of the true explanation as to the woolly covering of the fruit, but we have investigated the matter from a botanical sense, as well as from an entomological point of view."

At all the central sugar mills under the control of the Government of Queensland the persons who joined in borrowing the money with which the mills were built had to mortgage their private properties to the Government. In this way the Government had a guarantee that sufficient cane would be grown to keep the mills going. Now that a great part of the borrowed money has been paid off, and the mill itself provides sufficient security, steps are being taken to return the deeds to the owners of the lands. This has been done in the case of all the mills in the possession of the Government, except Nerang, near the New South Wales border, and in that case the scheme is in process. The sugar-growers are asked to give a guarantee about the supply of the cane needed to keep the mills working.

Great value is placed by botanical experts upon 300 isonandra guttapercha trees grown at the Melbourne Botanical Gardens from seed procured in Java by Dr. Crivelli. This particular species, which is unknown in the Commonwealth or its territories, produces a guttapercha which is unequalled for several classes of work, particularly in connection with electrical fittings. The tree takes 20 years to come to maturity, but is seed-bearing before that time. Mr. Howard Newport, of the Queensland State nursery at Kamerunga, has inspected the seedlings (says the "Argus"), and found them healthy and flourishing plants. The 300 available plants will be divided equally between nurseries in the Northern Territory, in Queensland, and in Papua. It is Mr. Newport's intention to recommend the Queensland Government to retain the trees in the Kamerunga nursery as a base stock for the future supply of seeds to planters, as the importation of the stock is difficult, by reason of the short vitality of the seeds. He considers that the establishment of the nucleus stock will ultimately assist in creating a valuable industry.

It is several years since grass grubs were so destructive to grass and crops in Canterbury, New Zealand.

The measure passed in the Tasmanian Parliament dealing with potato diseases provides for compulsory spraying.

In an exhaustive test of dairy cows in Scotland, it was found that cows over 10 years of age proved better milkers than those below that age.

Hundreds of exact tests have been made by the U.S.A. Department of Agriculture and the State Experiment Stations to show the value of the legume as a fertiliser. In addition to adding nitrogen to the soil, it supplies humus and improves the mechanical texture. These two features are also accomplished by ploughing under or feeding such green crops as rye, buckwheat, etc., but these crops put nothing back into the soil that they have not taken out of it.

LAND SELECTED.

The following is the weekly official statement showing the lands selected under the Crown Lands Acts, and the area made available for settlement; therein during the week ended September 29, and during the 13 weeks from July 1 to September 29:—

Class of Holding.	During the week ended Sept. 29.		During the 13 weeks from July 1.	
	No. of applicants.	Area. Acres.	No. of applicants.	Area. Acres.
ORIGINAL HOLDINGS.				
Original Conditional Purchases	31	5,000	250	39,108
Conditional Leases applied for simultaneously with and in virtue of these o.c.p.'s	(19)	10,128	(238)	89,927
Conditional Purchase Leases	6	2,925	63	33,478
Special Conditional Purchase Leases	—	—	3	150
Original Homestead Selections	5	528	44	10,235
Original Settlement Leases	5	20,420	25	65,195
Settlement Purchases	—	—	1	3,694
Total of new settlers	47	39,005	402	291,247
ADDITIONAL HOLDINGS.				
Additional Conditional Purchases (of Crown Lands)	15	1,500	227	28,350
Additional Leases not taken simultaneously with o.c.p.'s	24	6,922	247	99,751
Additional Settlement Leases	—	—	10	2,070
Additional Conditional Purchase Leases	—	—	19	21,870
Total	39	10,422	503	152,041

In addition to the area made available prior to July 1, the following areas have been specially set apart for settlement:—

	ORIGINAL HOLDINGS.			
	No. of blocks		No. of blocks	
Original Conditional Purchases and Conditional Leases in virtue thereof	9	6,655	59	47,132
Original Conditional Purchase	—	—	20	2,092
Special Conditional Purchase Leases	6	2,925	56	37,376
Original Homestead Selections	—	—	155	47,625
Original Settlement Leases	—	—	42	9,844
Settlement Purchases	3	7,680	20	74,156
Total	18	17,260	352	208,341

ARTICHOKES FOR FODDER.

(BY J. D. M.)

The Jerusalem artichoke is one of the best drought-resistant prolific plants, suitable as wholesome, nutritious food for every class of domestic live stock. It will grow and flourish in all kinds of soil. Every part of the plant—stems, leaves, and tubers—is greedily eaten and relished by horses, dairy cattle, sheep, and swine. The tubers, cut up, raw or boiled and mashed, when fed to dairy cows, increase the flow of milk. The seed vessel that grows at the extreme end of the stalk, when boiled and placed on the dinner table, is considered a delicacy, as are the tubers, either boiled or baked. As fodder for swine no other description of roots surpasses them. The tubers, when sliced and mixed with chaff, are excellent food for working horses.

The artichoke in its habit of growth bears a strong resemblance to the potato; the leaves, which spring from the stem, attain a great length. The tubers are irregular in shape, and cluster closely around the parent stem, and throw out runners, that subsequently bear more tubers. The plant is extremely hardy, and yields profusely. An average crop ranges from 400 to 500 bushels to the acre, so that it is not necessary to plant a large area, unless the consumption is heavy. The tubers can remain in the ground throughout the year without injury; they will produce a succession of crops from one planting. Seven crops have been grown in succession without interruption. The strong point in favour of the artichoke crop is the large amount of food it furnishes. A herd of pigs turned on a crop will harvest it, fatten themselves, and greatly improve and cleanse the soil from weeds. The artichoke finds a congenial home in any climate, or in any soil. It succeeds on high altitudes as well as in the warmest valleys, on wet swampy land or dry sandy loam. As it is perennial, it supplies food throughout the year. The tubers can be dug up and stored for winter use, or left in the soil. After the tubers are formed the leaves and stems can be cut over, and supplied to horses or cattle. Spring is the best time for planting. Whole tubers should be set in furrows fully 6 inches deep and 2 feet apart. The first year the cultivation should be thorough; the first harrowing should be done a few days after the tubers are set, and two or three times afterwards, until the plants have attained to the height of 6 inches above the ground. When the intention is to grow the crop to stand for successive years without replanting, the soil should be well levelled with the harrow.

PREMISES QUARANTINED.

By proclamation in the Government "Gazette," October 6, the Minister of Agriculture has declared the premises of W. Toohey, Bunnerong-road, Botany, and John Templeman, Rhodes-street, Botany, to be quarantine areas under section 6 of the Stock Diseases (Tick) Act, 1901," and has placed all swine within the areas in quarantine for a period of three months from September 22.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS TRADE.

The Minister of Agriculture is in receipt of a report by Mr. Suttor, Commercial Commissioner in the East, on the trade in poultry, fresh meat, wheat, flour, etc., in the Straits Settlements for the year 1908. Poultry importations were 714,048, valued at £32,750 18s, about 11d each. Fresh and salted importations were valued at £260,762 7s 4d, a decrease of £25,308 6s compared with 1907. Hams and bacon importations were £16,235 19s 8d, a decrease of £9428 1s 4d as compared with 1907. In fresh and preserved vegetables a fairly large business was done, as follows:—Fresh vegetables, £41,754 10s 8d; preserved vegetables, £141,696 9s, making a total of £183,450 19s 8d. One-half of the importations were locally consumed, and the balance exported to adjacent markets. Good potatoes and onions appeared to be always in active demand. The importations of fruits (fresh and preserved) were as follows:—Fruits, fresh, of all sorts, £60,988 15s 8d; fruits, dried and preserved, £56,609 13s 8d; making a total of £147,597 9s 4d. The importations of wheat were on a very small scale, and equalled about 102 tons, valued at £1,035 10s 8d. Flour was steady, the trade for the year being £346,630. About half of the above importations were consumed locally. In 1907 Australia contributed 54 per cent. of the imports. The trade in wines came to £34,621, but very little of it was Australian.

SOIL AND THE RAINFALL.

(BY R. K.)

The capacity of any soil for holding water depends on its porosity (or openness of grain). By persistent overstocking and slipshod cultivation landholders in many cases destroy the porosity of their soil, and turn it into brick-clay. Stock, especially sheep, which trample the same ground oftener than big stock, press the ground under their feet much more heavily than is usually supposed. The next generation of stock have been trampling the same soil in the same paddocks the rain runs off these paddocks as off an iron roof away to lower levels. The same applies in cultivation. The farmer often ploughs the same depth his father did (say, 6in), and a sole forms underneath, as a pan-proof as cast-iron. The growing crop, having only the water in the top 6in of soil to draw upon, speedily exhausts it. The crop languishes, and the farmer complains of the rainfall.

There are, of course, soils which are too porous, and on these a certain amount of stocking does good, solidifying the soil to the right porosity, but such are uncommon here. To obviate this destruction of the soil, a narrow-tined spring-tooth cultivator (set as deep as possible) should be run over the paddocks till it is sufficiently porous again, stock being kept off meanwhile.

GRADING PORTS.

Concerning the proposal to establish a new grading port for dairy produce at Napier, New Zealand, the "New Zealand Times" writes:—"It is sincerely to be hoped that the Minister for Agriculture will set his face against the proposal. We have too many grading ports as it is. The correct policy is a curtailment, rather than an increase, of grading ports, for any extension of grading facilities affords by that means an inevitable lead to decentralisation of the products, and therefore a weakening of the most desirable principle of a regular supply to British markets. The ideal to aim at—which Australia at one time enjoyed, to the great advantage of its butter trade—is the weekly arrival in London, and this on a certain day, not so much the regular despatch from this end. If this is to be brought about it will only be by concentration of the produce at one or two main ports. What the people shipping through minor ports should strive for is improved conditions for coastal shipment, or, where possible, better railage facilities. Unless we bring about the exact weekly delivery, the ideal method of catering to the British trade will never be attained. We must be able to supply with such punctuality that the consignee may be able with confidence to sell 'to arrive,' and be in a position to guarantee a regular supply to their clients throughout the season. The small grading port and the isolated grader are a mistake, and both the system of grading and the regular shipment will be seriously prejudiced if they are countenanced."

SELECTING THE BOAR.

In the first place, get a good one. Get the breed that best suits your needs and stick to it. If you can't trust your judgment in selecting a boar, then rely on some reliable breeder. Expect to pay a good price for a good hog. You can't get something for nothing. If you can pick up a good mature boar that a neighbour has to get rid of—sound, and there is no disease—then you can use him at once. But the usual way is to get a mere pig.

The boar pig must be fed so that he will develop symmetrically and come up to your expectations. Pedigree will not make a good hog out of a pig poorly nourished. If you neglect feed and care, then don't blame the breeder who sold you the pig if you fail to get good returns for your money.

Give the boar a well-fenced yard—not less than a quarter acre—all by himself. It should be well drained if possible, shaded by trees or a shade built. Have a comfortable little house that can be kept clean and a feeding floor on which is the trough. Ashes, charcoal, and salt should always be available. Keep the lot and house clean. Whitewash and spray the house with disinfectants to prevent disease. Burn the old bedding frequently and put in fresh.

The feed should be succulent at all seasons. Soiling is possible in summer if pasture cannot be given. Roots, pumpkins, or silage will do for winter. In addition to the above, feed a good ration that will produce growth without excessive fat. Very little corn or barley should be fed to a growing boar except in winter, when about one-third or half of the grain may be corn, the rest shorts or highly nitrogenous feeds. Vary the ration, but keep the balance. Clover and alfalfa hay will be readily eaten dry, which can be put in a feed rack, or it may be cut and mixed with the slop after soaking. These hays give bulk and protein at the same time, and are good bonemakers.

Make the boar take exercise by feeding him as far from the house as possible, especially during the breeding season. Have a breeding pen and limit the service if you want him to last. A boar should not be sold as soon as the season is over and a new young boar bought the next time needed. When you get a good sire, keep him and use him, even to the extent of inbreeding. Less harm will come from it than continually using immature animals.—Exchange.

VINEGROWING.

SOME USEFUL HINTS.

COROWA.—During a recent lecture on vine-growing Mr. de Castella touched upon "planting and after treatment of grafted vines." In this district he said the soil was frequently too dry in autumn, and the vines usually lost their leaves too late. Such vines planted in dry soil would wither, and the substance contained in the leaves be wasted. On the other hand, if planted very late in autumn the soil would be too cold. Callus forms freely at 60 deg-70 deg F., below 50 deg. not at all. Nor does it form in wet sodden soil, except the callusing of wounds. There was little advantage in early (autumn) planting. The vine was better left in its original position, in the nursery during the winter without its roots being disturbed. This applied to locally-raised vines. With imported vines there was a risk of premature start after their artificially prolonged winter in cool storage. Such a start would utilise the bulk of the reserve materials, leaving little for the normal start of vegetation in spring. If the season were a perfect one autumn planting could be recommended, but as a rule spring planting would be found more satisfactory. Manuring when planting presented certain risks, if the conditions were not suitable for rapid callusing. It would as a rule be found better to plant young vines without manure, adding this when they were thoroughly established.

Cut worms or agrotis caterpillars were best coped with by the use of arsenical baits. A good formula being bran 10lb, Paris green 1lb, molasses 4lb, to be worked into a paste and placed in lumps about the size of a small nut round the base of the young vines. Growers were strongly urged to lose no time in procuring the materials and get to work at once. Cut worms work quickly, and may do almost irreparable damage in a single night.

Treatment during the first year may be summed up as, thorough cultivation and the prevention of scion roots. There were other points but these were of primary importance. Cultivation was not only necessary to keep down weeds; retention of moisture was of really greater importance. It was not sufficient to thoroughly scarify the middle of the row. The soil should be loosened right up to the vine. Novel French automatic scarifiers capable of breaking up the strip of ground between trellised vines were described. Though perhaps not yet perfect they showed promise, and a way of dispensing with costly hoeing—the great drawback of trellising. If water was applied it should be limited to a few deep applications, such as would not draw the roots to the surface.

The removal of scion roots and suckers was one of the most important innovations brought about by the new or "resistant" viticulture. Scion roots particularly are a grave and insidious danger. To neglect their removal was to nullify the objects of grafting on resistant stocks. The young vine would depend on its scion roots, which would receive all the sap from the upper part. The stock would languish and become stunted, and quite incapable to supply the vine when phylloxera invaded those roots, which should never have been allowed to grow. Scion roots should be removed at least three times during the summer—in October and December—being cut cleanly with a sharp knife. Suckers were perhaps less troublesome in the case of bench grafts, the crown of which had been removed. Field grafts would require attention, especially such stocks as Rupestris du Lot and A.R.G.I. If scion roots and suckers were carefully and cleanly removed during the first couple of years there would be little trouble in this direction later. Scion roots, unlike suckers, are not visible, hence they were more dangerous. Young vines should be staked at least temporarily to ensure erect shoots, field grafts especially, as wind might break off the grafts, and also summer bud grafts.

Disbudding must be executed early. When done too late so as to entail the removal of large shoots there was a loss of energy to the vine. Topping of young vines was discountenanced. It did not strengthen the vine in any way, and could have no useful effect. Sulphuring was strongly recommended as soon as the shoots were 6 inches or so long, whether odium was visible or not. They had owing to a long series of dry years, become inclined to underrate the importance of the disease. Apart from its effect on odium, sulphur exerted a stimulating influence on the vine, and was on this account alone recommended by leading French authorities.

DEMAND FOR LAND.

MUDGEE.—Three owners of valuable pastoral and farming properties in this district are subdividing portions of their estate. The estates being so dealt with are Combandry and Biraganbil, both about 15 miles north of Mudgee, and Rawden, 25 miles south of the town. All the properties are particularly suitable for agriculture.

NARRANDERA.—Five blocks of C.P.L. land, parish of Barralong, county Cooper, were balloted for. There were 39 applicants, the successful ones being: William Haiden, portion 48, of 1315 acres; John Rigney, portion 51, of 1021 acres; William Trenbath, portion 49, of 1240 acres; Percy S. B. Higham, portion 50, of 933 acres; William Robert Patten, portion 52, of 800 acres. For one block in Moombondool North, portion 12, of 1298 acres, there are 34 applicants. The ballot will be held at the next sitting of the board.

BLACKBERRY BUSH.

DAPTO.—At a meeting of the committee of the Dapto A. and H. Society the question of the spread of blackberry bush on the South Coast was discussed. A leading dairy farmer declared that if something was not done to stamp out the pest it would soon take possession of farms. It was resolved to request the Central Illawarra Council to declare this bush a noxious weed.

PASTURES BOARDS.

ARMIDALE.—At the meeting of the Pastures Protection Board the bank statement showed £382 credit to current account and £1200 fixed deposit. The stock inspector reported that good spring grass and water were plentiful. Sheep were in good condition. Rabbits were stated to be greatly on the increase, particularly in the Macleay and Guyra districts. The chairman stated that he believed in two years' time the land value would decrease to the extent of 20s an acre. The question was becoming grave. Landowners who did not fence would be driven off the land.

THE CROPS.

GILGANDRA.—In consequence of the hot blast on Sunday last the crops on plain lands suffered drying off, and farmers are busy now cutting them for hay. Preparations are being made on all sides to harvest for hay. There will be some splendid yields; the best average ever secured in the district is promised, both as to quality and quantity.

MOLONG.—The majority of the crops throughout the district continue to make good progress, but the cold, bleak winds experienced during the past two or three weeks have somewhat retarded the growth of the late crops. The rain in the early part of the week benefited the early ones to a very considerable extent, which, in many instances, are almost bursting into ear. The fate of the wheat harvest depends almost entirely on the weather conditions during October and November, and if seasonable rains are experienced a record crop will be garnered; but if a dry spell acts in it will prove most disastrous. It is surprising how hard the ground has become, and as a result farmers are now awaiting for a good downpour to enable them to sow corn and other summer fodders.

WEST WYALONG.—The scattered showers of Friday last were very beneficial to crops, and most of the wheat and oat paddocks are now wearing a very promising appearance. Cutting for hay will commence within a fortnight, though the weather is very cool for the time of year—almost frosty. The windstorm of Friday laid parts of the crops in a few places, but not nearly so much as was expected, the wind having preceded the rain accounting for the slight damage done.

DISTRICT ITEMS.

ARMIDALE.—Severe frosts have been experienced every morning during the last few days, doing serious damage to the herbage.

DAPTO.—Strong westerly winds of the last few day have had a serious effect on the pastures in this district. Crops are going off rapidly, and the growth of grass has been checked before it was long enough to be within the grasp of cattle. A downpour of rain is badly needed to ensure a good spring, as the benefits of recent showers have almost disappeared with the arrival of hot weather.

JAMBEROO.—The Jamberoo Council contend that the compulsory tuberculin test of dairy cattle as proposed will have a tendency to introduce the disease. This is backed up by practically all dairy farmers here, cases being mentioned where the test injected the disease. The council has decided to ask the co-operation of every council in the State to prevent it being passed into law.

MOSWELLBROOK.—Owing to the recent rains the growth of tulip is causing anxiety, and is likely to spread throughout the Hunter.

PAMBULA.—Mr. Makin, of the Agricultural Department met the Agricultural Society's committee last night, and discussed various agricultural questions. The farmers appreciated the attendance of the officer, and it was agreed that such action on the part of the department must assist the farming community.

WINGHAM.—Possibly the largest pig ever sent from the Manning district was shipped on Wednesday. It was of the Black British breed, and its estimated weight was 6cwt. Of late years the Manning producers have been going in for the largest breeds, and some fine animals have been sent from this district. The local ruling price is between £3 and £4.

MILITARY.

MILLTHORPE, Thursday.

A few months ago Mr. F. Bacon, of Millthorpe, was asked by the officer who inspects the cadet corps at Millthorpe, to take some steps towards forming a senior cadet corps at Millthorpe. Mr. Bacon took the matter in hand, and in a short time a sufficient number were enrolled to warrant the formation of a senior cadet corps. Each one who was enrolled paid the stipulated fee of 10s, and was measured for his uniform. Mr. Bacon then applied to the department for official authority to form a senior cadet corps, but that department up to the present has ignored the application, which was lodged about two months ago. Not even an acknowledgment has been received. After a month had elapsed and no reply was to hand, Mr. Bacon wrote to the officers supervising cadet corps, and this communication met a similar fate. He has forwarded a final communication to the department, asking to have his application for the formation of a senior cadet corps at Millthorpe cancelled. He is also refunding the fee to those who enrolled.

The A.J.C. Spring Meeting is fully illustrated and described in the current issue of the "Sydney Mail." There are excellent finishes for the Epsom, Derby, and the Metropolitan; also photographs of Prince Foote and Hyman. "Milroy" has a special article entitled "Old-Time Memories of the Derby."—Advt.

MR. MOORE'S LAND BILL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Messrs. Hain and Searight deserve the thanks of the community for their lucid and forcible criticism of Mr. Moore's proposed land legislation. The subject, however, is too big to admit of exhaustive treatment in newspaper controversy; for, to discuss defence, immigration, and closer settlement apart, is to lose sight of their interdependence, and largely to rob them of their significance. Permit me, therefore, to indicate a few facts connected with defence and immigration before I deal with Mr. Moore's Land Bill. I shall not discuss these facts, but simply indicate the lines along which intelligent discussion of them would run.

1. No one can deny that closer settlement is absolutely necessary for purposes of defence. (1) The mother country, upon whom we have so long depended, before another decade is over may have to fight for her very existence as a sea Power against a combination of hostile nations. (2) Inseparably linked with this contingency is the fact that Australia could not hold her own against any naval Power sufficiently strong to successfully dispute with Great Britain the empire of the sea. (3) The wealth of Australia is powerfully attracting the attention of ambitious and envious nations, who are only kept from our shores by the knowledge that they are not yet able to challenge the naval might of the British Empire. (4) And then there is the further risk that ultimately Australians will not be allowed to hold this great island continent from the rest of mankind unless they can effectively occupy and use it.

2. Then, closer settlement is just as necessary for the development of Australian resources. The following points, if set forth in extended discussion, would, I think, be incontrovertible:—(1) As a producer of raw materials Australia, if more closely settled, could almost indefinitely increase her output. (2) Were our rich agricultural lands more closely occupied and worked this country is capable of producing immense food supplies, both for local markets and for export. And (3), seeing that the margin between production and consumption is rapidly narrowing in the United States and other countries from which Great Britain has long drawn the bulk of her food supplies, the opportunity is almost at hand when, with closer settlement, Australia might become the chief source of supply to the mother country for meat, wheat, butter and cheese, and other food products.

3. But closer settlement is inseparably bound up with the question of immigration. That cannot be either safety or progress without adequate population hardly needs to be discussed. If anyone doubts this let him seriously meditate on the following facts:—(1) Australia cannot be peopled within a safe period by natural increase of population. (2) No large new country ever was so populated. (3) Had the United States, or Canada, or Argentina relied upon natural increase they would be of very little importance to-day. (4) Immigration, and on a large scale, is essential to the growth of a nation in Australia. The more people we can settle on the soil the faster our manufacturing industries will thrive, the better our artisans will be paid, and, reflexly, the more profitable will become the land, and the more and more will be available for the men and means will be available for the country's defence. (5) The immigrants, as far as possible, should be men of our own race—farmers with capital, farm labourers

DEATHS.

BAGNALL.—October 7, 1909, at Sydney, Nehemiah Bagnall, late of Spring Flat, near Ausgrve, beloved husband of Mary Ann Bagnall, aged 81 years.

FERGUSON.—October 7, 1909, at Scone, Robert Ferguson, an old and respected resident of the district, aged 79.

HERBORN.—October 6, 1909, at his residence, Lynwood, Petersham, Ernest William Lewis Herborn, in his 53rd year.

LAW.—October 7, 1909, at her residence, 153 Cumberland-street, city, Margaret, widow of the late Joseph Law (interpreter), aged 65 years. R.I.P.

McHENERY.—October 7, at his residence, 91 Womerah-avenue, Daniel Joseph McHenery. R.I.P.

SHARP.—October 7, 1909, at the Sydney Hospital, Clarence A., the dearly loved son of Harry and Ada Sharp, of Ingleburn, in his 21st year.

SHARP.—October 7, at the Sydney Hospital, Clarence Aaron, second dearly beloved son of Harry Sharp, Denham Court, aged 20 years.

SOLOMONS.—October 6, at Cremilla, Robert A. Solomons, beloved husband of Maud, daughter of Henry Myers, and only son of Michael Solomons, Maida Vale, London.

IN MEMORIAM.

ANNING.—In sad but loving memory of my dear son and our dear brother, Albert Herbert (Bert), who died October 8th, 1904, aged 24 years. Dead, but not forgotten. Inserted by his loving mother, Annie Anning, and brothers, George, Bob, Fred, and Charlie.

BREWER.—In sad but loving memory of our dearly beloved mother, Rosanna Brewer, who departed this life October 8, 1908, aged 67 years. Also our dearly beloved father, John Brewer, who departed this life January 22, 1903, aged 74 years. Inserted by their loving children.

COSTER.—A tribute of remembrance and love to Jim. Died at Auckland, N.Z., Oct. 8th, —08.

DICKSON.—In loving memory of our darling little daughter and sister, Jane, who departed this life October 8th, 1908, aged 9 weeks. Inserted by her loving father, mother, sisters, and brother, S. and A. Dickson and family.

HEATH.—In loving memory of my dear husband, who departed this life October 7, 1901. Inserted by his loving wife and family. Rest in peace.

HURD.—In loving memory of our dearly-loved daughter, Lillian (Lily), who passed away October 8, 1904. Inserted by her sorrowing parents, W. and C. Hurd.

KENNEDY.—In affectionate remembrance of our dear husband and father, James Sutherland Kennedy, who departed this life October 7, 1905, aged 53 years. Inserted by his affectionate wife and family.

KINKADE.—In loving remembrance of my dear husband and our father, William Kinkade, who died on October 6th, 1903. Inserted by his loving wife and family.

MANNING.—In loving memory of my dear little Hilda (Billie), who died October 8, 1901. Inserted by her loving mother, E. Brown; also her loving grandparents, E. J. Brown and uncles, Stan, Jack, Bert, of Kogarah.

MILES.—In loving memory of our dear mother and grandma, Mary Mills, passed away October 7, 1907. Inserted by her loving son and daughter-in-law, Ted and Louie Mills, and grandchild, Doris.

PRATT.—In fond and loving memory of my dear wife and our dear mother, Louisa Pratt, who departed this life October 8, 1907. Inserted by her loving husband and family.

WARREN.—In sad but loving memory of our dearly loved and only son, John Reginald (Jack), who departed this life at Sydney Hospital on October 8th, 1908, aged 19 years and 5 weeks. Sweet Jesus, have mercy on his soul. Inserted by his sorrowing parents, J. C. and E. Warren.

WARREN.—In sad but loving memory of our dearly loved and only brother, John Reginald (Jack), who departed this life at Sydney Hospital, on October 8th, 1908, aged 19 years and 5 weeks. May his soul rest in peace. Inserted by his loving sisters, Beattie and Allie.

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THE STATES AND THE COMMONWEALTH.

It would be idle to deny the gravity of the situation created by the disinclination of Government supporters in the Federal Parliament to ratify the agreement made by the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth with the Premiers of the States. In the first place, the attitude of such members as Mr. Bruce Smith, Mr. W. H. Irvine, and others, means, if it means anything, that the States cannot expect fair play from the House of Representatives as it is at present constituted. There is apparently a much better chance of the Senate accepting the agreement with the Premiers, and this is no doubt due to the fact that senators realise how great is the responsibility cast upon the States by the Constitution—or, rather, by the omissions from the Constitution. The thirty-nine articles, as section 51 has been called, define clearly the limits within which the Commonwealth is to live and move and have its being. Everything else is left to the States, and it has been calculated that 85 per cent. of the whole burden of function and obligation is thus cast upon them. No Senate worth the name, representing as it is supposed to do the States, rather than the people in State subdivisions, would dream of throwing the finances of its constituencies into confusion for the sake of aggrandising the central authority. Under unification the Senate would simply become a sort of recording chamber. Under the present Constitution it stands as the guardian of the States, and should be specially prepared to give Mr. Deakin's compromise with them a hearty reception. Properly constituted, the House of Representatives should also be ready to give the States the fullest recognition, and the heartiest sympathy. Only as the Commonwealth works with them, and receives in return fair play and honest support, can Australia as a whole rise to the height of a noble destiny. The significant thing in recent events, therefore, has been the Prime Minister's meeting with the Premiers in Melbourne, and his concluding with them what has been undoubtedly recognised as a hard bargain. New South Wales, at any rate, felt that she had been asked to surrender a good deal more than could have been expected under any obligation created by the intention of the framers of the Constitution. The acceptance by her of a per capita distribution of 25/ per head was only made possible, because otherwise the conference would have broken up in confusion; and the Commonwealth and the States would have been obliged to face a period of serious financial difficulty and dubiety. It was Mr. Deakin's hint, in effect, that the sum must be placed as low as 25/ per head, which concluded the negotiations, and it may be said that an agreement was reached because it was understood that only on the terms arranged could he hope to carry a bill through Parliament for a referendum to amend the Constitution. The Prime Minister may not, indeed he could not, have pledged his party to any ratification of the agreement. That was emphatically a matter for Parliament. But he certainly expected that the hard bargain he had driven would make his task an easier one, and he was entitled to believe that party loyalty under the circumstances would be sufficient for the strain placed upon it.

The House of Representatives as at present constituted, therefore, is showing itself utterly out of touch with the temper of the people of the Commonwealth, and quite unfitted to consider the requirements and responsibilities of the States in anything like a reasonable light. With an Opposition eager to secure unification at any price is a Government following leavened with something of the same spirit; or, at least, so fearful that the Commonwealth may be straitened for lack of funds that they are prepared to force the constituent States of the federation perilously near financial chaos. The speeches which have been made criticising the agreement and threatening to leave the Government in the lurch show that among Ministerial supporters are members without any sense of proportion. It is a curious thing that when Mr. W. H. Irvine was Premier of the State of Victoria, and attended a conference of Premiers in Sydney, no one was more insistent than he that the States must be safeguarded. He dwelt repeatedly upon their burdens, and the reasonableness of making a just arrangement with the Commonwealth on their behalf. "What I do think," he said to the State Premiers in 1903, "is, that we ought to accentuate the necessity of bringing before the public, in the most emphatic way possible, the necessity of ultimately preserving to the States the protection which they at present have under the Braddon clause. The matter for consideration is that when the period of the Braddon clause expires the Commonwealth will gradually encroach upon the three-fourths now returned to the States, and the various States will be driven into more and more stringent forms of direct taxation." That was Mr. Irvine fighting for the States. Now that the period in which the Braddon clause operates is coming to a close, we have Mr. Irvine as a member of the Federal Parliament thinking of nothing but the Commonwealth, and indirectly putting all his weight into the scale for unification. The States are to be at the mercy of the Commonwealth at the close of 1910. "Very well," says Mr. Irvine, "let us deal with them as we please, not as they need." He lifted his hands in horror at the idea of anything of the sort six years ago, and the members of the conference in 1903 do not forget his impassioned appeals. But we only ask that State difficulties and requirements shall be fairly faced, not covered by a continuation of the Braddon clause. The Premiers have practically agreed to divide the revenue from Customs and excise with the Commonwealth in equal shares, not to make it one-third and two-thirds, or two-fifths and three-fifths. Yet we find that there is an effort on the part of Mr. Irvine and other Victorians to perpetrate what can be considered as little better than a political outrage.

AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE.

If the debate on the Defence Bill is resumed next week in the Federal Parliament, and the measure is finally put into the statute book, the Government will be able to congratulate itself on having at last accomplished a reform which the people of Australia have expected of the federation ever since it was instituted. The Minister for Defence, speaking to the second reading of the bill, put into one crisp sentence of his own the rather disquieting conviction which the people of the Commonwealth have held and frequently expressed for some years past. It was always promised that federation would give Australia a system of strong united defence. And yet, as the Minister said, "we have no modern defence organisation, practically speaking, in Australia to-day; and the sooner we set about creating a proper organisation the better it will be for our self-respect and for the safety of our country." The Defence Bill by which the Government intends to remedy this defect seems to be, on the whole, a very fair measure. The system it institutes will be in one respect, at least, a great advance upon the systems that have previously existed in Australia. For the first time it definitely throws the duty of defending Australia upon the whole body of Australian citizens. Whatever defects in detail the measure might contain, the definite recognition of that principle in the statute book of the Commonwealth would of itself be a matter to give the people of Australia real cause for satisfaction, because, apart from any consideration as to the responsibilities of citizenship, it has become of late years very clear that the principle of compulsory service is the only principle upon which, in these days of huge armed Powers and enormous preparations, a nation can efficiently and economically defend itself. In so far as that principle is embodied in the Defence Bill, it is a distinctly satisfactory measure.

But there are two defects in the bill which it is not yet too late to remove. First, it only extends compulsory service to Australians up to their twentieth year. Of the body of young men who have been trained from the age of twelve to fourteen as junior cadets, from fourteen to eighteen as senior cadets, and from eighteen to nineteen as partially-paid soldiers, a certain number—probably 8000 or 9000 a year—are expected voluntarily to enlist to serve at the rather higher rate ruling in the militia. The rest are allowed to go free in the rather vague hope that they will register themselves annually, and so enable the authorities to keep in touch with them. They take their rifles home, and may perhaps be asked to turn out on one day in the year to show that these rifles are in good order. This is a weak spot in the bill. Of the immediate defence of the country—the first and second lines—29,000 are to be militia, about half of whom will apparently be men of twenty and twenty-one; while 37,000 will be boys of eighteen and nineteen. And the hope of the authorities that they will be able to keep touch with these youngsters after letting them go at the age at which young men are most difficult to keep track of is likely to lead to difficulties. The criticism of the executive committee of the Australian Defence League, which was published in these columns yesterday, appears to be well grounded in this respect. There is a second and more serious defect in the bill. Probably the most useful institution built up by Australia, and certainly the one most applauded throughout the world, has been the cadets. This bill proposes at a single stroke to take away the whole of the enthusiasm which has made such a success of the cadets, for it is beyond argument that the abolition of uniforms and advanced drill will have that effect. It would be a grave mistake if the Commonwealth Government for the sake of a comparatively small saving in expense were to take all the heart out of its soldiers in the first stage of their training. There is no necessity to confine the drill of the cadets to the bare elements. It is a most receptive stage; and those who have served in the cadets, and afterwards in volunteer or militia regiments, know quite well that bodies of even the youngest cadets have often pretty well as good a grasp of their training as some of those upon whom the defence of the country rests.

SYDNEY'S WHARFAGE.

The report of the president of the Chamber of Commerce on the subject of the port's wharfage accommodation brings into view one of the most important duties at present devolving on the Government. Everything points to there being an exceptionally heavy wool export this season. Should this prove so, there will inevitably be great pressure, first on the railways—which, judging from the beginning with the live stock traffic, are not too well prepared to meet the emergency—and secondly upon the shipping transport. It is well known that the accommodation for the berthing of vessels for the oversea export trade is not sufficient to meet other than normal requirements. It is equally well known, to shippers at least, that if the harvest yields as bounteously as is anticipated, growers, in all probability, will lose no time in getting their grain to the seaboard. There is almost certain to be an exceptionally heavy export movement during the first quarter of the year, for producers will not be over-anxious to take the risk of a drop in prices when the great wheat-producing countries of the northern hemisphere get their next crop into the elevators towards the middle of the year. This being so, it is imperative that everything that is possible should be done to prevent any hitch in shipping arrangements.

It will be generally admitted that as far as the Sydney Harbour Trust is concerned it has already made vast improvements in the shipping accommodation of the port. It must also be admitted that still more, in all probability, would have been done had additional funds been made available. Plans have been prepared for improvements on an elaborate scale for works which it is contemplated will be proceeded with when the Treasurer opens his purse wider. So far, the Harbour Trust has expended £5,338,108, and last year it succeeded in netting the satisfactory return of £4 6s 4d per cent. on the capital outlay, which left a surplus of £32,625 over and above its interest charge. The expenditure on capital account last financial year was £113,348, and the Treasurer has promised to find an additional £165,700 this year out of loan moneys for wharf extensions and the like. Evidently the Chamber of Commerce does not regard this sum as adequate, and it has unanimously resolved to ask for its increase. This resolution can be commended to the careful consideration of the Government, for it seems to us as essential that not only the railways, but also the wharfs, should be brought up to a state of absolute efficiency; and that if there is not enough money to go round there are other works which can bear a temporary starvation better than these. It would, for instance, be a strange travesty on commonsense were money found for a new State Parliament House, while denied for services so essential to the producing interests of this State. The necessity for making better provision for the landing of imported merchandise, on the other hand, is also one that concerns all classes of the community, of which producers form an important part, for any delays which are occasioned in the port handling of commodities add to their cost—an addition which represents so much waste, as it benefits no one.

Saturday's "Herald."—On account of the large amount of advertising matter which has to be dealt with for Saturday's issue of the "Herald," advertisers and agents are requested to send in their advertisements as early as possible to-day, in order to facilitate classification.

"Disgusted Protectionists Side-step."—Some of our most ardent Australian preferentialists, especially those who acknowledge their adherence to Labour principles or coquette with them, would be rather annoyed to read the opinions of American Labour leaders on the subject. In a recent issue of "The Public," a Chicago journal devoted to the advocacy of socialistic legislation, appears a criticism of the new tariff proposals in the United States, especially with regard to the suggestion to adopt a clause fixing a "maximum and minimum" tariff. "Involved in the device," it states, "is the idea of reciprocity, and involved in that is the idea of freetrade. Reciprocity is the disgusted protectionist's way of getting back to freetrade without giving himself and his botch of a theory dead away. Therefore we welcome it. It may prove to be a very good bridge from protection to freetrade." Surely there must be something wrong in this. Can it be possible that all Mr. Deakin's impassioned oratory on the subject of preference is nothing more than a "disgusted protectionist's way of getting back to freetrade"?

Flour in the East.—The great success of the American flour trade in the East, reports Mr. Sutton, is largely due to the fact that the milling agents are on the spot, and cater in every way for the requirements of the Chinese buyers—the principal consumers—as to quality, "chop" marks (trade marks), and system of payment, under which the importer is enabled to show his own shipping documents. When at Singapore, he noticed cartloads of American flour going through the streets, and was informed that American agents were particularly active owing to the fact that there was a reported shortage from Australia. "I cannot impress too strongly upon our milling interest," he says, "that we are not half so conspicuous as we might be on the markets of the Straits Settlements. It would also appear that much of our business is done through local agents handling other goods. I feel that our interests would be better conserved if our milling companies could combine in some way in order to push their interests, and satisfy consumers that we are in a position to keep up supplies of uniform quality, with prices a little more in sympathy with the quotations from the Pacific slope. Distance and shipping are in our favour; but unless we are more active in endeavouring to maintain a market that is worth catering for, I am afraid that the present activity by special local agents—acting for milling companies only—tony, on the part of American interests, give the Australian product a temporary set-back."

A New Turn.—There came on the boards yesterday morning a further development of the Saturday half-holiday problem. The Saturday selling of potatoes is the issue this time. There are two lots of people who sell potatoes—the greengrocers and the produce merchants. They both used to sell them on Saturday afternoon and evening until lately. Then an industrial board gave an award under which the produce merchants have to pay their carters time and a half if they employ them on Saturday afternoon. Many of the produce merchants accordingly determined to close on Saturday. Meanwhile the greengrocers go on. So the produce merchants formed a deputation, headed by Mr. Taylor, M.L.A., who was to have asked Mr. Hogue, the Minister for Labour, to have the Early Closing Act amended, or to make some alteration in the law so that the produce merchants and greengrocers would either both have to close or both be open on Saturdays. However, the deputation was finally postponed in order to enable the produce merchants in different districts to agree in their demands.

An Object Lesson.—At the invitation of the N.S.W. Chamber of Manufactures, the senior students of the Hawkesbury Agricultural College, to the number of 35, paid a visit to Sydney yesterday. At the office of the chamber they were welcomed by the president (Mr. J. G. Fariesigh, M.L.C.), the secretary (Alderman G. T. Clarke), Mr. Charles Anderson, Mr. W. Vicars, and Mr. H. Sparkes, and on behalf of the chamber a series of prizes was offered to the students for the best essays on their visit. Afterwards a visit was paid to the establishment of Messrs. Parsons Bros., in Kent-street, and to Rowlands' aerated water factory. Luncheon was partaken of at Hart's Marine Cafe, and the party were then taken in a Government launch to Elliott's chemical works, Balmain, and later to the wire netting works of Messrs. Lysaght and Co., Chiswick. The trip up the river was made under the leadership of Mr. H. E. Pratten, one of the vice-presidents of the chamber, with Mr. Sparkes and Mr. Vicars also assisting. The party returned to town shortly after 5, and the students left for the college by the evening train.

The Troubles of Art.—The Mayor of Wellington (N.Z.), in opening recently the annual exhibition of the local Academy of Fine Arts, advised the assembled painters to "give the public what they want." "I think," said his Worship, "that artists paint to please themselves, and do not try to please the common people like me. When one talks about money to artists, they turn up their noses as if they were above it. This is very silly. You artists," continued the Mayor, "should go into the country and paint men's houses. They'd like that. I don't mean paint their houses with a brush, of course, but make a picture of them. They would sell. You must paint the people what they want if you want to get money out of them. The public like diagrammatic pictures. They like pictures they can look into." The Mayor pointed these general remarks by reference to a local painter, Darby Ryan, of Taupo. "Now, he painted me a picture that I wanted. I said, 'Darby, paint me a scene with Tongariro and Ngauruhoe in it, and put in a bit of the lake.' Well, Darby —who's been to Paris, by the way—painted it. Now, some other artist would have stuck a Maori or so into the picture, and only given me a bit of the cone in the corner. That was not what I wanted. And so I say again to you artists—paint what the people want, and it will pay you." His Worship then declared the show open. Mr. Van der Velden, by the way, whose work is remembered in Sydney, was represented by an empty frame. His picture was to have been entitled "Mother and Child." It was explained that the picture was not ready, and the artist's reason for the delay was the fractiousness of the baby model, "which would not keep still."

Cadonia's Defeat.—Cricket is a distinctly British sport. Foreigners have never solved its mysteries. So it could hardly be expected that the army of an imaginary kingdom situated somewhere between the provinces of Anthony Hope and the Adriatic could come up to the standard of Bardsley or Armstrong. So when the Cadonian School tried conclusions with the New South Wales Justice Department yesterday the result was a foregone conclusion. Even the plaudits of the Alsatian maidens could not spur the Cadonians on to anything like true form. When one or two decisions went against them, the members of the Anti-King League tried to form an anti-umpire league. The King feared to put in an appearance without his disguise, so the conspirators had to exercise their anarchic propensities somewhere. But General Bronski was an umpire, so the Hussars would not cooperate in the movement. The game was thus fought out on commonplace cricket lines, and naturally Cadonia, less expert with the willow than with the sword, was easily defeated.

Condemned Railway Sleepers in South Africa.—A Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly, appointed at the instance of Mr. Gilbert, M.L.A., to make inquiry concerning losses sustained by Mr. J. S. Gam in respect of the wholesale condemnation in South Africa of consignments of railway sleepers shipped from New South Wales, sat yesterday and heard Mr. Gam's evidence. The facts of the case were fully stated in a report prepared early this year by Mr. L. A. B. Wade, engineer-in-chief for rivers, water supply, and drainage, who was commissioned to visit South Africa and personally inspect the sleepers which had been condemned. Mr. Gam said that of three shipments sent forward the first was accepted, the third rejected, and of the second 478 sleepers were rejected, and a 10 per cent. reduction was made on the balance, because of alleged defective quality. His total losses on the second and third shipments amounted to £1694, and interest and other charges raised the total loss to £2033. The sleepers were inspected and passed before shipment by officers of the Forestry Department, and the customary inspection fees were duly paid. He was represented on the wharf at the time of shipment by a tallyman whose duty it was to see that the numbers were right, and that the sleepers were branded. Further evidence will be taken next Wednesday.

Railway Station Telegraph Office.—The Treasurer was asked by Mr. Fitzpatrick in the Assembly last evening whether it was a fact that the location of the post and telegraph office on No. 1 platform at the Central railway station was the cause of much inconvenience to the travelling public owing to the enforcement of the barrier system. Mr. Waddell replied that persons who wished to visit the telegraph office at Sydney station were allowed, on notifying their intention to the barrier porter, to proceed on to No. 1 platform for that purpose. The removal of the telegraph office to another position was under consideration.

A Jubilee Souvenir.—In connection with the N.R.A. Jubilee meeting, which opens at Randwick to-day, the council has issued an interesting souvenir in the shape of a booklet giving a history of the association from its formation in 1866 till the present day. Lieutenant Mills is the historian, and after a diligent search in the archives of the association he has presented a very interesting pictorial history of rifle shooting in the mother State. On the cover is a volunteer of the early sixties with a quaint old muzzle loader, standing opposite a present-day marksman with the latest magazine rifle. The booklet contains photos of all the chief officers of the N.R.A. since 1860.

The Electoral Rolls.—The Chief Secretary was asked in the Legislative Assembly last evening if the collection of the Federal electoral rolls now in progress was a police duty distinct from the collection of the State rolls. Mr. Wood replied that the collection this year was distinct from the State collection, which would be made next year. The Federal Government would pay the actual outlay incurred in conducting the canvas, £2164 5s 6d was paid for the last collection.

Lukewarm Support.—The Sydney Labour Council had under consideration last night a request from somebody, on behalf of Mr. Tom Mann, that the president should take the chair at one of a series of lectures to be delivered in Sydney shortly. Many of the delegates seemed to be of the opinion that Mr. Mann should be left severely alone. "Let him find his own chairman," they said, in no friendly tone. Others, however, urged that he had been identified with the cause of unionism, and it would be a narrow-minded proceeding on the part of the council to refuse. After a brief and impatient discussion, a majority decided that the request should be acceded to.

Dredging at Newcastle.—The Minister for Works, in reply to Mr. Price, said the cost for dredging by the bucket dredge at Newcastle was 2.65d a ton in 1906-7, and 2.94d a ton in 1908-9. The cost for blasting and lifting rock at the entrance to the inner basin was 50d a ton in 1895-6, and 44d a ton for blasting only in 1908-9. When asked to state the reason for the difference in cost, Mr. Lee said "owing to rock dredging the cost in 1908-9 is slightly more than in 1906-7; 6d reduction of the cost of rock blasting is due to the plant working longer hours. Three shifts are now being worked as against only one shift in 1895-6."

Floral Offerings.—The New South Wales Christian Endeavour Union yesterday inaugurated a collection of flowers on the Circular Quay wharf of the Sydney Ferries' North Sydney service for distribution amongst the poor of the city. A nurse was in charge of a stall, where the offerings were deposited. The collection will be made each Thursday during the present month, and as the gardens in the Northern Suburbs are noted for their abundance of blooms, and the residents always willing to co-operate in every charitable movement, the hearts of those living in the crowded portions of the city will be gladdened for at least one month of the year. The flowers gathered yesterday were beautiful and numerous, and showed that the spring was a bounteous one.

Mountain Railway Traffic.—The traffic to the Blue Mountains at week-ends continues to increase, and the Railway Department finds it necessary (prior to the introduction of the summer table) to run additional trains at midday on Saturdays. The extra services which have been tabled will depart from the Central Station at 1 p.m. and 2.25 p.m., and stop to set down and pick up passengers between Homebush and Mount Victoria. Convenient services are provided for the return journey of persons desirous of early arrival in Sydney on Monday mornings. Cheap excursion tickets are being issued by these trains, and are available for one month. The extent of the traffic to the tourist resorts on the western line may be gauged when it is known that on Saturdays no less than seven trains serve the mountain districts.

The Gates' Testimonial.—Every arrangement has now been completed for the public presentation to Senior-constable Gates, who in April last received serious injury while discharging his duty at the hands of a burglar, who previously had entered the house of Mr. Russell Sinclair at Kirribilli. The presentation will be made at the North Sydney Town Hall on Monday next.

Mr. G. W. Ash writes that he stated to Mr. Waddell, at the Coupon Deputation, that "at the end of a long cross-examination, Mr. M. Keely admitted that he had no personal knowledge whatever of the system, and that he had spoken from hearsay only," and that "after the admission of the committee stated that what they wanted was evidence, and not hearsay, and that following upon this decision a great change came over the proceedings." Further, the name of "Mr. M'Manus" should have appeared "Mr. Anglin," Mr. A. G. Hodman and Mr. J. J. O'Brien, hon. secretaries of the Anti-Coupon League of New South Wales, also wrote contradicting certain assertions made by Mr. G. W. Ash at the deputation. They state that Mr. Peter M'Manus, together with Mr. Francis J. Anglin and Mr. George R. Bidden, were the fully qualified and regularly appointed delegates of the New South Wales Retail Grocers' Association, having been elected at a largely attended meeting of the association, held on September 30.

At the last meeting of the Water and Sewerage Board a letter was received from the town clerk, Parramatta, saying that the council had decided to accept the board's offer permanently to supply the municipality with water at 2d per thousand gallons.

QUEENSLAND ELECTIONS.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

The official figures for Burnett show Hodge (Ministerialist) 1316, and Jones (Labour) 1799. There appears to be some confusion in regard to one or two returns which are queried. Absent votes have still to come.

IN PARLIAMENT.

Having passed the A.M.P. Society's Bill through the second reading and committee stages, the Legislative Council gave further consideration to the Forestry Bill. Two or three postponed clauses were dealt with, but not materially amended, though in clause 27 (dealing with regulations) Mr. Kethel secured the insertion of a new sub-clause providing that regulations might be passed for the organisation of a system of scientific forestry. When the House went into committee for further discussion of the Fire Brigades Bill, Mr. Thomas Hughes stated his intention to move an addition to new clause 10. This clause provides that the office of an elected member of the board should not be deemed to be an office of profit under the Crown, and Mr. Kater wanted to move its rejection. It was then within a few minutes of the dinner adjournment, and some members who were supposed to be Government supporters had left the Chamber. In these circumstances the Vice-President of the Executive Council tried to persuade Mr. Kater to allow the bill to go through, and move the recommittal on Wednesday. Mr. Dangar, who is somewhat of a tactician, thought that Mr. Kater ought not to relinquish the advantage of his position, and the latter member courteously but firmly intimated to Mr. Hughes that so far he held the winning hand and intended to retain it. The discussion was quite a lively one while it lasted, but the representative of the Government eventually consented to report progress on the understanding that the matter would be threshed out on Wednesday.

Two measures of the Government programme are doubtful quantities. Mr. Wade stated in the Assembly last evening that he hoped to bring down a Poisons Bill during the session, and on the previous evening he stated that he hoped to proceed with the Defamation Bill at an early date. Such announcements are subject to the reservation, "if the state of public business permits." If the session is to be closed by the end of November, it is improbable that either of these measures will be reached.

The Closer Settlement Amendment Bill entered upon the committee stage yesterday afternoon. Amendments indicated by the Minister for Lands when closing the second reading debate were embodied, and in its revised form the measure contained 27 clauses—two more than as originally introduced.

A start was made with clause 3—the highly contentious clause which embodied the essential principle of the bill. In its original form the clause authorised the publication of a list of estates wholly or partly within 10 miles of the boundaries of a town. With a view to meeting objections strongly pressed during the second reading debate, Mr. Moore had reduced the radius from 10 to five miles. This was strongly opposed by members of the Opposition, and for four hours the committee discussed an amendment by Mr. Trefle to increase the radius from five to 15 miles.

If the principle was a good one it should be widely applied. That was the keynote of Mr. Trefle's argument. To restrict the application to a five mile radius saved the face of the clause, but rendered it valueless. Mr. Collins, a consistent supporter of the Government, agreed with this view, and further expressed the opinion that land within a five mile radius of most country towns was least suited to closer settlement purposes. This aspect of the argument was carried further by Mr. G. A. Jones, who contended that land in close proximity to the towns would command too high a market value to make settlement profitable to men of small means.

Both Mr. Briner and Mr. Norton fought against the bill on the second reading, as having much in common with a bushranging expedition; but on the clause before the committee they parted company. Mr. Briner, interpreting assent to the second reading as an endorsement by the House of the principle, declared that he would vote for the five-mile radius as a means of restricting what he still regarded as a mischievous principle to as small an area as possible. Mr. Norton, on the other hand, while admitting that he thought the five-mile limit would defeat the whole purpose of the bill, still set himself in uncompromising hostility to the whole measure. In his opinion there was hardly any land left within the five-mile radius that was worth resuming.

When at length a vote was taken, the committee, by 33 to 22 votes, approved the five-mile radius. A quarter of an hour later clause 3 was safely out of hand. Mr. Trefle proposed to amend clause 4 by the insertion of words providing that when the portion of an estate within the five-mile radius was below £10,000 in value, the Minister should be empowered to resume portions lying outside the radius; but by 34 to 18 the committee declined to accept the amendment.

Clause 4 was under consideration for an hour and a half, and was adopted with amendments proposed by the Minister for Lands. These amendments declared that the lands in respect of which the proclamation was issued should be within the five mile radius, and that if the proclamation were not approved by both Houses of Parliament within 21 days of its issue it should lapse. Mr. Morton wished to reduce the period covered by the proclamation from five years to three years, and Mr. Kelly wished to make the bill apply to estates ranging in value from £5000 upwards, instead of from £10,000, but they failed to carry their amendments.

The House was sitting when this edition went to press.

CONSTABLE'S COURAGEOUS ACT.

James Wilson, a young man, describing himself as a butcher, was charged yesterday at the Central Police Court with having furiously driven a horse attached to a sulky on Pyrmont Bridge, so as to endanger the safety of the public. The case for the prosecution was that the accused, with a couple of other men, galloped a horse across Pyrmont Bridge. Constable A. A. Carter, the arresting officer, stopped them, the check being severe enough to overthrow the horse. Witness for the prosecution said that the horse was probably travelling at 15 miles an hour. The constable's action was one of the pluckiest things he had ever seen, as the officer had to literally throw himself at the horse. The defendant stated that he was not driving at the time. A fine of £5, with the alternative of one month.

FRIENDSHIP WITH NATIVES.

THE CALL FOR FOOD.

PERTH (W.A.), Thursday.

Mr. Alex. Crawford, chief inspector of rabbits, who has just returned from a trip along the rabbit-proof fence from Gum Creek to the terminal point on the north coast, found that the natives could only be kept friendly to stockmen by friendly overtures. The men engaged on the fence had to get in double rations, so as to feed the natives and supply them with cheap tobacco. Two or three of the men who refused to treat with the

THE BUDGET BATTLE.

COMMONS TO ADJOURN.

KING'S REPORTED INTERVENTION.

ACTING AS PEACEMAKER.

LONDON, Oct. 7.

Mr. Lloyd-George, Chancellor of the Exchequer, in reply to Mr. A. J. Balfour, leader of the Opposition, in the House of Commons last night, announced that if the committee stage of the Finance Bill and the third reading stage of the Development Bill were concluded this week, the House would adjourn to October 18 to enable members to have a full opportunity of considering amendments on the report stage of the Finance Bill, which would be placed on the paper before the adjournment.

Mr. A. Henderson (Labour) objected to the adjournment, and suggested proceeding with the Housing and Town Planning Bill.

Mr. Lloyd-George replied: "I do not think that the adjournment will prolong the session. It is quite necessary that there should be a week's adjournment."

VISITS TO THE KING.

MR. ASQUITH AT BALMORAL.

INFLUENCE ON LORD ROSEBERY.

The King yesterday received Mr. Asquith, the Prime Minister, in audience at Balmoral.

Many politicians and writers profess to regard the decision of Lord Rosebery to address no further meetings on the Budget as a sequel to his visit to the King at Balmoral.

The Liberal League has accepted the resignation of Lord Rosebery as its president.

It is suggested that if the King is intervening his action recalls that of Queen Victoria in the conflict over the Franchise Bill of 1884, when the Duke of Richmond acted as the confidential emissary of the Queen to Mr. Gladstone and Lord Salisbury.

The headings to the political report in the "Daily Chronicle" read:—"The King as Peacemaker," "Seeks to avert a war of peers and commons."

Mr. Gladstone introduced his bill for the enfranchisement of the working men in counties on February 28, 1884. The redistribution of seats which would be necessary was to be left over for another year. The Conservative party called in the Commons for a complete bill, which would include both the extension of the franchise and the redistribution of seats. There, however, the Government won the day. When the bill was sent to the Lords they adopted an amendment calling for a complete bill. There was great indignation throughout the country, and in London meetings became almost riots. The Queen then intervened. She suggested private communications between the leaders of the two parties. Lord Salisbury and Sir Stafford Northcote went to tea in Downing-street, the plan for redistribution was agreed to, and the battle was over.

OPPOSITION INSINUATION.

"STRAIGHTENING OUT A MUDDLE."

A HOLIDAY WANTED.

The "Times" understands that the reasons which have induced the Government to adjourn are:—

Firstly, the task of revising the Finance Bill in order to insert amendments promised during the committee stage, will occupy the draftsman and the law officers a week.

Secondly, there is no business of importance for the House of Commons to deal with.

Thirdly, low majorities on the Government side prove that the supporters of the Government are getting restive and want a holiday.

The "Pall Mall Gazette" writes:—"The new-born zeal of the Government for mature deliberation sits unconvincingly on Ministers, who have exceeded all precedent in the employment of the gag and in all-night sittings. No political observer believes that it is more than a conventional formula."

Other Opposition papers write of "The Budget muddle," and suggest that the bill is being laid up for repairs.

AN UNEXPECTED MOVE.

TALK OF COMPROMISE.

The action of the Government is quite unexpected, and, together with the visit of Mr. Asquith to the King, is causing much speculation. Many members of the House of Commons believe that a compromise over the Budget is in the air.

THROUGH COMMITTEE.

BUSINESS IN THE LORDS.

The Finance Bill has passed through the committee stage in the House of Commons.

The House of Lords will meet next week, when it will read the Housing and Town Planning Bill the third time. It will conclude consideration of the Irish Land Bill in committee, and will read the Development Bill the second time.

A TOO TALKATIVE DIPLOMAT.

SUDDENLY STOPPED.

LONDON, Oct. 6.

Mr. P. C. Knox, United States Secretary of State, suddenly stopped Mr. Charles Crane, a merchant, the newly-appointed Minister at Pekin, on the eve of his departure.

The "New York Sun" alleges that lately Mr. Crane has been a too talkative diplomat.

Mr. Charles Crane, a member of the Chicago firm of Crane and Co., which manufactures pipes and fittings, is one of the leading business men of the United States. He is intimately acquainted with Russia and the Russian language. He supported Mr. Taft in his Presidential campaign, and was one of the founders of the Municipal Voters' League, which has done much to purify the politics of Chicago. The announcement of his appointment to Peking was made before the consent of the Chinese Government had been obtained, and it may be that an objection by that Government is the real reason for his being stopped.

JAPANESE ART.

VALUABLE SPECIMENS FOR EXHIBITION.

LONDON, Oct. 7.

The Japanese Government has decided to risk sending its finest sculptures and paintings presented to old temples to the Anglo-Japanese exhibition.

The Anglo-Japanese Exhibition will be opened at Shepherd's Bush on May 3 next, and will continue till the end of October. The main object of the exhibition is to emphasise and perpetuate the friendly feeling happily existing between Japan and Great Britain, to increase the commercial relations between them, and at the same time to show the world their combined products and resources. It is the first great exhibition of Japanese products ever held in Europe.

COMMONWEALTH NAVY.

BLUEJACKETS FROM ENGLAND.

EFFECT ON IMPERIAL PERSONNEL.

LONDON, Oct. 7.

Earl Winterton (Conservative) in the House of Commons last night asked Mr. H. M'Kenna, First Lord of the Admiralty, whether the Admiralty intended to lend the Commonwealth 2000 men in connection with the navy agreement, and whether there would be an increase in the personnel of the navy in order to make good the loss to the Imperial Navy?

Mr. M'Kenna said that it would be premature to make a statement on the matter. It was not known whether 2000 was the number of men to be sent. Earl Winterton was in error in assuming that the personnel of the Imperial navy would be necessarily decreased, since there were many British sailors already on the Australian station.

Replying to Mr. W. Anstruther Gray (Conservative), Mr. M'Kenna declined to discuss whether the Admiralty would diminish the number of men on the Australian station, or whether they would be replaced by citizens of the Commonwealth.

Sir Gilbert Parker asked when the agreement would be considered by the Parliament of the Commonwealth.

TERRIBLE EXPLOSIONS.

PHOSPHORUS AND TAR.

GIRLS AND WORKMEN INJURED.

LONDON, Oct. 7.

Two terrible accidents, caused by explosions, are reported from Italy.

In a dynamite factory at Benevento, a cauldron of phosphorus caught alight, and set fire to the girls near it. They rushed into the streets with their hair and clothes in flames. Twenty-five were terribly injured.

A similar accident occurred at Milan. Boiling tar in a cauldron exploded, owing to the lid becoming jammed, and fifteen workmen and passers-by were horribly burned.

GREAT BALLOON RACE.

THE WINNER ARRESTED.

BY RUSSIAN POLICE.

LONDON, Oct. 7.

Mr. Mix's balloon America II. won the Gordon Bennett contest, making a voyage of 1100 kilometres (683 miles), starting from Zurich. He landed north of Warsaw, where the Russian police arrested him.

Twenty balloons started.

Mr. Gordon Bennett presented for competition in the Gordon Bennett race a prize of £500 in specie.

HEALTH OF THE CZARINA.

REPORTED SEVERE RELAPSE.

LONDON, Oct. 6.

There are many reports that the health of the Czarina has had a severe relapse. The Czarina is at Livadia, the Imperial summer residence in the south coast of Crimea.

At the beginning of September the visits of the Czar to Italy and Turkey were postponed owing to the unsatisfactory state of health of the Czarina, and it was announced that the Royal family would remain at Livadia for a prolonged period.

JAPANESE NATIONAL FINANCES.

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.

ON A SOUND BASIS.

LONDON, Oct. 6.

Marquis Katsura, Premier of Japan, made an important speech at the Bankers' Club in Tokio. He said that the national finances had now been placed on a sound footing, and it was possible to readjust taxation.

Funds, he said, were available towards the redemption of the national debt, and the salaries of Civil servants would be raised.

The relations between Japan and the United States, he added, were excellent.

CONGO ATROCITIES.

MOVEMENT IN BRITAIN.

HEADED BY CONAN DOYLE.

LONDON, Oct. 6.

Sir Conan Doyle has published a powerful indictment of Belgian misrule and atrocities in regard to the Congo, and he is heading a movement for holding mass meetings for the purpose of forcing the Government to take decisive action.

A.D.C. TO LORD CHELMSFORD.

LONDON, Oct. 6.

Lieutenant Sir Alexander Napier, Bart., has been appointed A.D.C. to Lord Chelmsford, Governor of New South Wales, vice Captain Verney.

Sir Alexander Napier is a lieutenant of the reserve of officers, and was formerly of the Grenadier Guards. He is the 11th baronet, and succeeded his father two years ago. Sir Alexander is 27 years of age. The baronetcy dates back to 1627, and for 134 years previous to 1817 remained dormant.

THE CHURCH CONGRESS.

LONDON, Oct. 6.

The Church Congress has been opened at Swansea.

The chief subject for discussion is the threatened disestablishment of the Church in Wales.

The Congress commenced on Monday, and will close to-day. Though "The Church in Wales" is the chief subject for discussion by the Congress, there are other important subjects on its programme, such as "Responsibility of Employers for the Spiritual and Temporal Welfare of the Employed," "Neglect of Public Worship: Its causes and remedies," "The Christian Faith in relation to recent Psychological Investigation," and "The Reports of the Poor Law Commission."

DEATH IN A PULPIT.

LONDON, Oct. 6.

Canon David Reith died suddenly in the pulpit while in the middle of delivering a sermon in St. Alphage Church, Greenwich.

The Rev. David Reith was honorary canon of Rochester. He was 67 years of age.

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN AGENCY.

LONDON, Oct. 7.

Mr. R. C. Hare, secretary to the Western Australian Agency, will act as Agent-General from the 15th instant.

Sir C. H. Rason, the retiring Agent-General, will remain in England, but will pay occasional visits to Australia.

THE BARCELONA RIOTS.

EXECUTION OF GARCIA.

A DRAMATIC INCIDENT.

LONDON, Oct. 6.

A firing party who had been detailed to execute Garcia, a Spanish anarchist, who had been concerned in the Barcelona riots, hesitated to carry out the word of command, and shot wide of the prisoner twice.

The lieutenant who was commanding the firing party then shot Garcia with a revolver.

The authorities have still 1200 trials on hand in connection with the recent revolution.

WOMEN'S HUNGER STRIKE.

A SUFFRAGIST RELEASED.

SUMMONS AGAINST HOME SECRETARY REFUSED.

LONDON, Oct. 6.

Miss Laura Ainsworth, the first of the Birmingham suffragists who went on a hunger strike while in prison, on being released was immediately driven to a nursing home.

The newspapers publish realistic accounts by her of forcible feeding similar to the plan adopted in the case of imbeciles.

October 7.

A stipendiary magistrate at Birmingham refused to grant a summons against Mr. Herbert Gladstone, the Home Secretary, the Governor of the Prison, and the Prison Doctor, on a charge of assaulting Miss Ainsworth.

LATE ARCHBISHOP OF SYDNEY.

PERSONALTY, £16,013.

LONDON, Oct. 7.

The personalty of the late Most Rev. Dr. Saumarez Smith, Archbishop of Sydney, has been set down for probate purposes at £16,013, of which the estate in Great Britain amounted to £14,183.

Dr. Saumarez Smith left his property to his children in equal shares.

The will states:—"During my lifetime I have devoted as much of my income as I could afford to charitable objects, and therefore I make no bequests in that direction." The will concluded:—"I die in the faith of Christ, and a loyal member of the Church of England."

The amount of the estate in New South Wales amounted to £1850.

RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIPS.

AUSTRALIAN STUDENTS.

LONDON, Oct. 6.

Emmanuel College, Cambridge, has granted Research Scholarships in science to the following students:—Wellish, value £150; S. J. Swain, £50; E. G. Taylor, £20 (all of Sydney), and R. D. Kleeman, £20, of Adelaide.

FIRE IN A COLLIERY.

THIRTY MEN IMPRISONED.

LONDON, Oct. 6.

A Vancouver telegram reports that 30 men are imprisoned in a burning colliery at Dunsmuir, Ladysmith.

Fourteen bodies have been recovered.

THE BANK RATE.

LONDON, Oct. 7, 1.25 p.m.

The Bank of England rate of discount was to-day raised to 3 per cent. from 2½ per cent., at which it had stood since April 1.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

POLICE FORCE APPOINTMENTS.

PERTH, Thursday.

In the Legislative Assembly Mr. Collier, Labour, moved for the appointment of a select committee to inquire into the administration of the police force. He complained of appointments made from outside the force, holding that members of the force should have the opportunity to rise to the position of Commissioner. The debate was adjourned.

THE RENDALL EXECUTION.

The body of Martha Rendall was interred in the Methodist section of the Fremantle cemetery. The Rev. Mr. Allen read the service, and Morris, father of the boy whom Rendall was convicted of poisoning, attended, and wept bitterly at the grave.

Alice Maude Burgoyne, a single woman, 45, who attempted to commit suicide at Kelmscott, on Tuesday afternoon, by gashing her arm with a table knife, and afterwards setting fire to her clothes, died in Perth Public Hospital the same night.

In the Legislative Council the Vaccination Act Amendment Bill, providing for a conscience clause, was rejected on the second reading.

ALLEGED OPIUM SMUGGLING.

SECRETED IN BLADDERS.

Customs Officers Watt and Small were on the wharf at Circular Quay last night, when they saw two Chinese walking towards the city. One of them had what appeared to be a lump on his chest, so the Customs officials stopped him, and asked what was wrong. The Chinaman replied that he had a tumour on his chest. One of the Customs officers pressed the spot, when the Chinaman bolted. Small pursued and caught him, while Watt secured the other. They were taken to No. 4 Police Station, where it was found that they each had a couple of bladders containing about four tins of opium secreted under their clothes. They were charged at the station, and will be brought before the Water Police Court to-day.

THE PACIFIC CABLE.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Mr. Larke (Canadian trade representative in Australia) and Mr. Cockshutt (one of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce delegates to Australia) interviewed the Postmaster-General to-day regarding the means by which the business of the Pacific cable, in which both Australia and Canada are shareholders, might be promoted. Proposals were made to reduce land and other charges, but no finality was reached.

DEATH FROM TETANUS.

Thomas Harold Clissold, aged 1 year and 3 months, died at the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital from tetanus, caused by a cut from an axe. The little boy was playing in the yard at his parents' residence in Commercial-street, Penrith, about a fortnight ago, when his brother dropped an axe on his foot, cutting it near the instep. The matter has been reported to the coroner.

BELLRINGER'S NARROW ESCAPE.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

A young man named Philip Minogue had a marvellous escape from death at Kilmore to-day. He was ringing a big bell in St. Patrick's Church, when it jumped out of its socket and fell a distance of 30ft. Minogue just managed to get out of the way in time. The bell, which weighed over a ton, was broken by the fall.

THE AMERICAN BOYS.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

The American boys, under Major Peixotto, arrived at Port Adelaide from Western Australia by the steamer Kyarra to-day, and were accorded an enthusiastic reception by a large crowd, which had congregated on the wharf. The visitors marched to the local Town Hall, where they were publicly welcomed by the Mayor (Alderman A. W. Brown).

THE NORTH POLE.

DR. COOK'S DEFENCE.

SEARCHING EXAMINATION.

"AN UPRIGHT, HONEST MAN."

LONDON (via Fremantle), Sept. 10.

The special correspondent of the "Times" cabled a graphic account of Dr. Cook's arrival and reception at Copenhagen on September 5. Dealing with the explorer's bona-fides, he said: "I confess that although all the testimony as to his character obtainable yesterday was unanimously favourable to Dr. Cook, it was with a considerable amount of scepticism, in view of various inexplicable features of his published account of his journey, that I approached the conference, which he consented to hold, with 60 members of the press at the Phoenix Hotel. It was agreed that Mr. W. T. Stead and I, as representing the English press, should put to him questions on points seeming to require elucidation. As the result of half an hour's most searching cross-examination, I am glad to be able to say that he entirely satisfied me as to his good faith.

"Sitting within a yard of him, in the presence of an intensely interested room full of people, we took him through his printed story. The calm and sincere manner in which he answered awkward questions produced on all present a profound impression. Private talk, such I had with him this morning, tended further to strengthen the belief, which apparently is shared by all who have met him, that he is quite an upright and honest man.

POINTS IN HIS STORY.

"He accepted the published account as accurately representing what he telegraphed from Lerwick. The lowest temperature mentioned should have been 83deg. Fahrenheit below zero, not Centrigrade. There were two other unimportant telegraphic slips. He formed a large camp ahead of the northern point of Heiberg Island, when starting, but it was, of course, useless, as owing to the drift of the ice he passed far to the west on his return route.

"Asked to explain the surprisingly long marches, averaging slightly less than 15 miles daily, on the northward run, Dr. Cook said that this was not abnormal, and especially with Cape York Eskimos and dogs, who were particularly good travellers, and had had plenty to eat all the winter. After the first 100 miles the route was covered with game. For the final rush the two fittest men and the 26 best dogs were selected, 13 to each sledge. Ten dogs returned. Of the remainder 14 were consumed by their more fortunate companions on the way to the Pole and two on the way back. The only food taken was pemmican, of which each man and dog received 1lb daily. The health of the party was excellent. Musk oxen were captured by being scattered and driven among the rocks, where they were induced to put their heads through the noose of a lassoo. Other game was killed, slung, or shot with the bow and arrow. The party lived on eider ducks and gulls for nearly three months.

"The furthest land north was found between the 84th and 85th parallels, and near the 102nd meridian. There was no game beyond Heiberg Island. Tracks of bear and seal were seen at the 83rd, and algae was found in the surface of the water.

During the northern journey the drift of the ice was slightly south-east, and the wind generally was slightly south of west. Coming back, instead of reaching Nansen Sound, Dr. Cook was carried by new drift westward, and for three weeks he was without observations, owing to fog. The only traces of human life seen were several old camps of Captain Sverdrup, captain of Nansen's great expedition, whose own exploration of Heiberg Island had alone rendered success possible. He took 400 photographs, which have not yet been developed.

THE POLE.

"Questions now turn to Dr. Cook's proceedings at the Pole itself. 'I do not claim,' said Dr. Cook, 'to have put my finger on the exact spot.' He went on to explain that, after taking an observation, which had been made nearly 14 seconds from latitude 90deg., he advanced the remaining 439 metres, camped, and planted the American flag. On the next day, April 22, he made a series of observations in a circle and round the circle, with the result that he affirmed that he had been within gunshot of what the Eskimos habitually call the Big Nail itself. So far as he could judge, the ice was slightly more active than a degree or two further south. He brought away the original Stars and Stripes, but left behind a small silk flag with a statement in pencil in a metal cylinder lying on the ice. This, no doubt, would float away. He did not care.

"He and the two Eskimos with him could not check his observations, though the Eskimos were far more intelligent than white men in finding a position in those regions. But he was quite prepared to place his observations before any scientific society in the world.

"He was asked: 'Will they be absolutely convincing?' He replied, 'I think there is no doubt.'

DR. COOK'S OBSERVATIONS.

"This matter of observation is clearly one of the highest importance. In answer to a further question, Dr. Cook said, 'It was obviously not possible on a sledge trip to carry sounding apparatus, but we carried all usual instruments for precise astronomical observations. On nearly every day from Sdeg. to the Pole we were fortunate in getting positions. We had pedometers to register distance. Other instruments were three chronometers, one watch (which got out of order), a sextant, an artificial horizon barometer, and a thermometer.'

"Then as to his competence as an observer, he said, 'I have in Alaska and in northern marine work made observations of this kind, and am perfectly familiar with the making of astronomical observations for this purpose. We know by astronomical observations that we got there.'

"Asked what answer he would give if it were suggested that anyone could produce a series of observations at home, Dr. Cook replied very calmly and deliberately, 'Why should a man construct bogus observations? I was not paid for this thing; I am not a sportsman; I have taken a real interest in this problem for 20 years. You may wait till the observations have been worked out.'

"When I suggested to him to-day that the Copenhagen University was prepared to work them out in a few hours, he replied that he saw no reason for violent hurry. In the case of other explorers the world has been content to wait until they were published in due course. He was prepared to stand any amount of scientific criticism in the usual course. He added that the story must be taken as a whole. The observations did not stand alone.

"I have talked with Captain Sverdrup, who has just arrived, and he considers that there is no reason to doubt Dr. Cook's competence as an observer. Local astronomers, who do not know Dr. Cook, are inclined to scepticism about the 14 sec., and await the publication of his observations with the liveliest interest.

"Count Harold Moltke, the artist, who is intimately acquainted with the Eskimos of Cape York, discussing the possibility of Dr. Cook's apparently rapid movements, tells me that he himself made a journey from Cape York to Annatok between January 28 and February 6, 1904, and in seven days and nights, travelling on one meal a day, covered 360 miles. Winter was the best time of the year. Captain Sverdrup added that the western route taken by Dr. Cook was most desirable, owing to the land of both sides preventing so much drift and to the ice being less irregular."

FIJI.

SUVA, Sept. 29.

The annual exhibition of Fijian products was held in Suva on 24th and 25th September. Wool was shown for the first time, and some Romney and crossbred Lincoln-merino fleeces were pronounced to be of high commercial value.

The S.S. Manapouri, fitted out to carry fruit at a fixed temperature, arrived from Wellington on 19th September, to inaugurate the new Fiji-Melbourne service. She sailed on 22nd instant, taking 1900 bags of copra and some 11,000 bunches bananas.

Mr. Hamilton Hunter, late British Resident in Tonga, arrived in Suva by the Atua on 28th instant. After a nine days' stay he proceeds to New Zealand.

ALLEGED MURDER OF A BABY.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

A young single woman, named Sarah Ann Pemberton, gave birth to a child about two months ago at Colac. On Monday night the infant died suddenly, and the police were informed. Yesterday an inquiry was held, and the evidence of Dr. Hope, who made a post-mortem examination, was to the effect that the child had died from starvation. The girl and her mother both stated that the infant had had nothing but the mother's milk since it was born. They were afraid to give it other food because its stomach was too weak to retain it. Both were committed for trial on a charge of murder.

FALL OF A CRANE.

FROM TOP OF A BUILDING.

ELECTRIC WIRES FLASHING.

A three-ton electric crane fell from the top of John Danks and Son's warehouse in Pitt-street, near the Water and Sewerage Board, yesterday morning. The jib of the crane fell across the telephone wires and broke about 30, and across the tram trolly wire and one of the cross-stays. Electric flashes spread in all directions. The whole of the machinery of the crane fell into a side passage at the edge of the footpath. No one was hurt.

The crane had been hooked to a load of bricks perhaps a ton in weight, and was beginning to lift, when one of the back legs broke. George Squires, the dogman, who was at the handle, heard the timbers crack. He dropped the handle, and stepped off the platform, just in time to see the mechanism he had been working hurled to the ground, 35 feet below. A dray had been moved a minute before from the place where the mass landed, and a horse that had been standing at the back of the dray and had not been shifted received a shower of splinters and bits of wood.

A new building was being erected for John Danks at the side of the existing premises, and Mr. H. J. T. Thompson, of Kent-street, had the contract. Mr. Thompson's cart was standing in front of the work, and when the jib smashed the telephone wires some of them fell across the horse's back. They were all alive, and stung like scorpions, and the horse bolted so suddenly that the driver of the cart, who had just got up, fell out the back. The horse and cart travelled up Pitt-street, and outside the Water Board encountered a cart owned by Mr. John T. Burrows, plumber, of George-street West. The bolter collided with the stationary cart, and Mr. Burrows's horse and cart travelled up Pitt-street, and outside the Water Board encountered a cart owned by Mr. John T. Burrows, plumber, of George-street West. The bolter collided with the stationary cart, and Mr. Burrows's horse bolted so suddenly that the driver of the cart, who had just got up, fell out the back. The

without seeing a fence. Lost men have before now found the fence and died alongside of it before it led them anywhere.

It is no good pretending to attend to dejected sheep in a paddock like that. There may be a hut in each paddock with a boundary rider—sometimes two, living together. Every day except Sunday the boundary rider is expected to be out in his paddock. It is 40 miles round the fence. He may ride the western fence to-day and home through the middle of the paddock; and the eastern fence to-morrow. About one day in two he may spot something like a line of posts, which is probably a line of sheep in mirage on the horizon. Occasionally he cuts through a wing of them. He sees a man, or gets a mail, perhaps, once in three weeks.

A HATTER.

Now that man in some ways comes very close to the shepherd. Drive, any Sunday, from the back station, 30 miles to White Dog Paddock, in the corner of the run. After driving half a day around the edge of a depression with a skin of crisp, shiny salt—which it has pleased geographers to paint blue, and call a lake—having sighted nothing more like stock than a mob of disappearing emus, and the lonely descendant of some forgotten black cat poaching in a rabbit burrow—you come over the top of a red sandhill face to face with what you realise, when you have picked it out from the background, to be a tiny, dun-coloured log hut. There is the enormous wooden whim of an old well at the back of it, and a low trough, which holds the only water in 100 square miles, and precious little at that. Also there is a small horse paddock. In paddocks 100 miles large a man must be able to catch water, and he must be able to catch a horse, or he will not be able to live. Outside the hut, a shiny black kelpie slut wagging her tail at his knee, a pipe in his mouth, his head bent over some work you cannot see, is a man.

Away in the cities, amongst the great churches and skyscrapers, men have ceased work for Sunday. And right through the bush, even with these lonely men, each in the middle of his own little sahara, where they have to reckon out which day Sunday is, everyone is spelling too. In Sydney they have put on top hats, and are coming from church to an over-large dinner. This man has shaved in 2½ angular inches of broken looking-glass, propped on a pot of golden syrup; and has since been putting handles on to jam tins.

It is three weeks since that man had the chance of talking to anything except his dog. Yet he barely lifts his head and nods.

"Good day."

In the dark of the hut, over drowsy grey embers, in the ship's tank of a fireplace, dangles a billy.

"You'll have some tea," he says.

He is delicately thoughtful in attending to you. But beyond a desultory remark about the weather, or the sheep, there is no conversation at all. He seems to be living in a dream, far out there with the mirage.

Yet he is probably a well read man. The hut is piled and papered with old newspapers. Every book that comes along he devours from cover to cover.

"A MAN MUST READ."

"A man must read, out there—or drink," one told us. Occasionally he will scribble down some hazy thought. Scrawled in pencil on the corrugated iron door of one hut we found: "Nero fiddled whilst Rome burned." One could not help wondering what happened out there, what nature or the manager had done or left undone, to make that thought worth putting down.

Most of the scribbling in these huts is done by visitors, not the owner. Once a year, for a month or two, on horses, on bicycles, occasionally on foot, come by the "travellers," shearers on their way from shed to shed. It may be the track leads them through the paddock by the hut. When the owner is there he helps them; when he is away they help themselves. They are city-bred and vulgar, and their particular joke is to use his tin door or chimney for a visitors' book. "The jam was good and the mutton excellent," "A home from home," "William Smith (Balmain) and George Kelly (Rozelle), cycling to Tolarno, found everything clean and food good." "Strongly recommend this house to thirsty travellers."

There is a story of one man who was known because of his personal habits as Slimy Sam. He lived in a hut near the track. One day he came back to his hut, and found writing on the door of it. It struck Sam that it might be an important message. Unfortunately, he could not read. So Sam took the door off its hinges, carried it five miles to a hotel along the road, and had the message read. It was: "Slimy Sam, of Mumblebone, was the dirtiest beggar ever known."

THE USE OF MONEY.

But except for a few "hatters" who live a score of years in the same very back paddock, boundary riders can read. They have nothing to spend their money on; but, out back, at any rate, hardly anyone saves it. In practically every case it goes the same way as nearly all the money made by station hands in the far west. Even "inside," when a boundary rider saves his money, he sometimes hardly knows what to do with it. An old chap we heard of—a man born in the old country—had worked for about 20 years on the same run, and made a good pile. One day he came up to the owner.

"I see they reckon the King's vein' to be crowned next year, Sir," he said.

"Yes, Joe," said the unsuspecting boss.

"I've always been a loyal man. I guess I must go and see 'im."

"The boss" nearly lost his breath; only being an Australian he took out his pipe.

"Supposing I said no," he suggested.

"My word—I'd leave you. I've got to go." And he did. He was not married. It was as good a use for his money as any other, and he came back when he had spent it.

EVEN BOUNDARY RIDERS MAY FAIL.

The face of their paddock is an open book to these men. They read riddles from every scratch that man or animal has made on it. Yet even to them a day comes when this country will all but beat them. One of the best bushmen we met told us that he had been riding north of Broken Hill along a road to Purnamoota, which, if one remembers the story aright, he had been told was the sort of road he could not miss. He started in the morning, and about evening the road split itself up into a dozen tracks, straggling into ranges. It was a woodcutter's track. He had had nothing to drink and little to eat. Night was coming on.

That is the time a paralysing fear takes hold of a man. But he had the sense to go back along the road till he came to another road crossing it. Desperately he turned off along this. Presently ahead of him he saw a spark. As he came up to it he found it came from a hut. A man was standing outside. But he scarcely noticed him. What he saw was a trough—and he rushed to it and fairly plunged his head into it side by side with his horse. Afterwards he found that he had just happened to strike a woodcutter's hut. It was fortune saved that bushman.

THE EFFECT ON THE WOOL.

The fashion is coming in of grouping the boundary riders under overseers at centres about 100 miles apart. The "hatter" may be but someone still rides the fences; and this is the man who, as far as they can be said to be looked after, looks after the sheep during the year. And what happens to the sheep during the year is recorded in the wool almost as on a barometer. A week ago, watching the woolclasser in Dunlop shed, one saw him take a tuft from one fleece and tug the two ends of it. It came slowly apart. Down the middle of that tuft ran a line of shade. There was a thinness in it at that point.

Now that tuft was actually a record of the history of the sheep since the last shearing. The line of shadow where the wool tore—a "break in the wool"—showed that at one stage of the year the sheep became so poor that the wool ceased to grow. Probably the feed had become bad. Afterwards rain came, or the sheep were put on to another paddock, and the fleece grew again. For the paddock has an immense effect on the wool. The sheep that have been feeding in the back paddocks on the red sand of the real Australia come in looking utterly different from those that have been on the modern river soil on a Darling frontage. The sheep carries the evidence of each separate paddock into the woolshed. The wool-classer could tell you.

And not only he. A London clubman on Piccadilly pavement works from his sleeve a small irritating lump. The next minute in his hand there lies, blinking up at this unfamiliar London sun, a wee, shiny, much-bleached stranger. The probability is he would grieve if they planted him. They would not know that the slender plumes that raised themselves among the fat English grasses had wrestled for an aeon or two through the dust of Winbar or Kallara or Moomba or some other famous run. Probably it would not thrill them if they did know it.

But an Australian would understand.

STATE PARLIAMENT.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

The President took the chair at 4.30 p.m.

A.M.P. SOCIETY'S BILL.

Dr. CULLEN moved the second reading of this bill, and said that its main purpose was to consolidate the Acts already in existence relating to the society. There was also some alteration in the power of investment in regard to certain classes of securities. The select committee was satisfied as to the expediency of the proposals.

The motion was agreed to, and the bill was passed through committee with some verbal amendments.

FORESTRY BILL.

This bill was further considered in committee, and the Vice-President of the Executive Council, upon postponed clause 13—"grant of exclusive rights"—being submitted, said that Mr. Kethel, after consulting him and the officers of the department, was satisfied with the clause as it now stood.

The clause was agreed to, with a drafting amendment.

Clause 15—"Sawmills to be licensed and books to be kept"—was amended on the motion of the Vice-President of the Executive Council by omitting the first proviso and substituting the following:—"Provided that persons conducting sawmills exclusively for the treatment of timber not subject to the payment of royalty, may be exempted by the Minister from the operation of this clause."

Clause 18—"Permits to graze and permits to occupy"—was amended on the motion of Mr. Foobery, by adding after subsection "b" the words "or who fences and cultivates for the purpose of growing fodder for the maintenance of horses and cattle used in the exercise of such right."

Clause 27—"Regulations"—was amended on the motion of the Vice-President of the Executive Council by the insertion of the following new sub-clause 2:—"The Governor, by proclamation in the 'Gazette,' may declare that the catchment area of any public works therein mentioned, constructed, or proposed to be constructed for the conservation or storage of water, shall be subject to the regulations made as hereinafter provided." On the motion of Mr. Kethel, a new sub-clause was also inserted, providing that regulations might be made for the organisation of a system of scientific forestry.

The bill was reported with amendments.

FIRE BRIGADES BILL.

The House went into committee for further consideration of this bill.

Clause 1—"Interest on amount expended from July 1, 1906"—was omitted. Progress was reported, but the bill was recommitted for further consideration of new clause 10, the clause immediately following, and also 12 and 22.

The new clause 10 provided that the office of elected member of the board should not, for the purposes of section 26 of the Constitution Act, 1902, be deemed to be an office of profit under the Crown, and Mr. Thomas Hughes moved the addition to the clause of the words that when a member of the board was also a member of a municipality or shire, and ceased to hold the latter office, he should also cease to hold office as a member of the board, and the alderman or councillor elected in his place should hold office on the board for the remainder of the term. He said that the amendment was based on a clause of the old Fire Brigades Act, and placed members of the board in the same position.

Mr. KATER said he wished to move the omission of the new clause altogether. What would his position be if the amendment moved by Mr. Thomas Hughes was carried?

The VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL said that a number of members had left the Chamber under the impression that no important alteration in the bill would be proposed. Rightly or wrongly, the House passed the new clause last night; but if hon. members now allowed the bill to go through now it might be recommitted on Wednesday for the purpose of specifically considering the clause referred to. He could not, however, accept the amendment if the House on Wednesday decided to recommit.

Mr. KATER: Is not the new clause in opposition to the Constitution Act?

The VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL said that, undoubtedly, without the clause, a person accepting a seat on the board would be holding an office of profit under the Crown. Members knew exactly what the clause was, and he had no intention last night of slipping it through without their knowing what they were doing.

After further discussion progress was reported, and leave given to sit again on Wednesday.

ADJOURNMENT.

The House at 6.35 adjourned till Wednesday.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

The Speaker took the chair at half-past 4 o'clock.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS.

The PREMIER, in reply to Mr. Collins, said 76 awards had been given by wages boards since the Industrial Disputes Act came into force.

The MINISTER FOR PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, in reply to Mr. Carmichael, said that Mr. Riley, who was recently appointed as inspector of schools, held a 1B classification as teacher, the degree of Master of Arts, and obtained his M.A. degree in education. Mr. Riley entered the service in 1885. Ninety-two teachers held higher departmental certificates.

CLOSER SETTLEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL.

Consideration in committee of the Closer Settlement (Amendment) Bill, in which had been embodied alterations and additions indicated by the Minister for Lands when closing the second reading debate, was proceeded with.

Clauses 1 and 2 were postponed.

Clause 3, "Notification of lists of estates near towns,"

In its original form the opening sentence provided that "the Governor may notify a list of estates situate wholly or partly within 10 miles of the boundaries of any town." As amended by the Minister, the clause reduced the limit from 10 miles to five miles.

Mr. TREFLE moved to omit the word "five," with a view of inserting "fifteen."

Mr. FITZPATRICK: That will probably take in the whole of the lands within the Eastern and Central divisions.

Mr. TREFLE said that if the limit were fixed at five miles the clause would be useless. If it were fixed at 15 miles it would make the bill operative over a reasonable area. Moreover, the House had already approved the resumption of land within 15 miles on either side of any new lines.

Mr. FITZPATRICK said that a five mile limit would bring under the operation of the bill the great bulk of agricultural lands in the Eastern and Central divisions. If one corner of the estate were within five miles of a town the whole estate could be taken by proclamation, even though it extended back a distance of 20 miles.

The MINISTER FOR LANDS said that as far as the first proclamation was concerned, if any portion of an estate were within five miles of a town boundary, the whole estate would be brought under proclamation as a preliminary. But it was not intended that the effective or business proclamation should extend to any land outside the five mile radius. No proclamation would be issued if the area in an estate within five miles were not of sufficient value to make it worth resuming.

Mr. G. A. JONES said the price of the land would govern the success or otherwise of closer settlement, and to take only that portion of an estate which was within five miles of a town would force into the market land of the highest price. As the Government did not intend to go beyond five miles radius with its business proclamation, it naturally followed that it could not be in a position to compel the subdivision of any portion outside that radius.

Mr. THOMAS asked for information concerning the boundary from which the five-mile radius would be struck. Towns like Forbes and Grenfell comprised an area of over 50 square miles. He wished to know if the measurement would be from what might be termed the municipal or population boundary, or from the town boundary.

The MINISTER FOR LANDS said the start would be from the population area.

Mr. THOMAS said he would vote against the amendment.

Mr. M'GOWEN held that it was profitable to grow wheat within 20 miles of a railway, and he therefore failed to see why the operation of the bill should be confined to so small an area as "within five miles of a town."

Mr. COLLINS said that land within the five-mile radius was the least suited for closer settlement. He suggested that it would save much discussion if the Minister declared that resumption would cover the whole of an estate any part of which came within the five-mile radius.

Mr. O'SULLIVAN supported the amendment.

Mr. LYNCH was against the amendment, holding that the radius should be made 20 miles.

Mr. MILLARD said the bill was a proposal to bring special pressure to bear upon a number of people with little to lose. There was nothing whatever to hinder the Minister from usually resuming the land under the existing Acts.

Mr. M'GARRY said there were many large estates in his electorate which did not come within the five miles; yet these towns were "landlocked." The bill meant that the Government could not find the capital to resume many more large estates; therefore it sought to compel owners to subdivide. He supported the amendment.

Mr. KELLY could not understand the object of the Minister in reducing the radius. If the amendment were not carried the clause would not be worth the paper it was written on.

The MINISTER FOR LANDS said the Government had been considering the bill for the last week or two. It could not shut its eyes to the large amount of opposition, and whilst determined to stand by its main principles, the Government wanted to meet the objections as far as it reasonably could. The Government intended to put into operation to the fullest practicable and reasonable extent the resumption provisions of the law, and it might be convenient, where part of an estate was within the five-miles radius, and part outside, to put into operation the existing resumption provisions with regard to the part outside, while putting the proposed law into operation as regarded the part inside. The object of the clause was to prevent any disposition of lands until the machinery could be got into working order—until the advisory boards had had opportunities of making their inspection and reports—to prevent any disposition of the lands so as to keep it from closer settlement. Any portion of the estates could be included in the proclamation. He had information that there were many estates within the five-miles limit. There were between 70,000 and 80,000 acres. Closer settlement did not mean in every case a home maintenance area. On the Peel River Estate, for example, a portion was cut up into blocks or small holdings of 10, 20, or 50 acres for workmen's homes. There were very strong reasons in favour of making available a certain portion of the resumed areas for holdings of this character.

Mr. BRINER said he still felt that the clause was inequitable, but seeing that the limit had been reduced to five miles, he would vote against the amendment. The House had, by its vote on the previous night, affirmed the principle of the clause, and in voting for five miles he was voting for the lesser of two evils.

Mr. NORTON said that in reducing the area to five miles the Minister was seeking to minimise an evil that the House had declared its willingness to sanction. There was hardly any land within the five-mile radius that would be worth resuming, and the bill would not achieve anything. The whole measure was a sort of go-as-you-please legislation, and it would be placed in the hands of practically irresponsible people.

Mr. J. MILLER said nothing less than a 15 miles radius would accomplish what the Minister desired.

Mr. CHARLTON pointed out that there was provision under existing Acts for resuming land proposed to be covered by the bill. He objected to the reduction of area as making the bill valueless.

Mr. McFARLANE doubted whether the bill would have the effect of compelling owners to subdivide. Within the five-mile radius was a very large area which the Government could resume, and being in such close proximity to town settlers would not need to have large farms.

Mr. CARMICHAEL foreshadowed an amendment to make the principle of the bill apply to all lands throughout the State.

Mr. FITZPATRICK said the Minister would have his hands well filled in administering the Act with the clause as it stood.

Mr. EDDEN said the bill was doomed in the Upper House, no matter whether the limit was 5, 10, or 15 miles.

Mr. BALL said he wished to limit the operation of the bill as much as possible, and he would therefore vote against the amendment.

The amendment was rejected by 32 votes to 22. The division list was as follows:—

AYES.

Latimer, Hogue, Oakes, Moore, Wade, Wood, Levien, Perry, Waddell, Hindmarsh, Onslow, Fallick, Taylor, Nobbs, Broughton, Davidson, Lee, Sir James Graham, Arnott, Ball, Fleming, M'Laine, Fitzpatrick, Byrne, Meehan, Barton, Downs, Morton, Thomas, Gillies, Henley, Millard, Briner.

NOES.

Nielsen, Darcy, Mercer, Trefle, Carmichael, Stuart Robertson, Seebie, Kelly, Hoyle, G. Miller, Nicholson, M'Gowen, Lynch, Charlton, Meehan, Edden, M'Donell, C. A. Jones, J. Miller, Brown, Collins, M'Laurin.

The clause, as amended, was agreed to.

Clause 4, "Proclamation that Governor proposes to acquire land."

Mr. TREFLE moved an amendment to give the Minister power, in those cases where estates came partly within and five miles radius, or contained within the five miles radius less than £10,000 worth of land, to follow the land outside the five miles radius for resumption purposes.

The amendment was rejected by 34 votes to 18.

Mr. COLLINS moved to amend the clause to enable the Minister to resume the whole or any estate within the five miles radius.

The amendment was negatived by 29 votes to 22.

The MINISTER FOR LANDS moved to insert words providing that the lands the subject of the proclamation should be within five miles of the boundaries of a town. Boundaries could be laid down under the Lands Acts, and also under the Towns Police Act, and the word "boundary" would be defined in the interpretation clause.

The amendment was agreed to.

Mr. KELLY moved to reduce the value of land which could be resumed from a minimum of £10,000 to £5000.

The amendment was negatived by 32 votes to 21.

The MINISTER FOR LANDS moved to insert words to the effect that if the proclamation was not approved with or without amendments by resolution of each House of Parliament within 21 days of such proclamation being laid before it, such proclamation shall be of no effect.

The amendment was agreed to.

Mr. MORTON moved to restrict the period of the proclamation to three years, instead of five, as stated in the bill, and the amendment was negatived by 32 votes to 15, and the clause was agreed to.

The committee was still sitting at an early hour this morning.

CLIFTON STRIKE.

NO SIGN OF SETTLEMENT.

CLIFTON, Thursday.

The situation regarding the miners' strike at Clifton is still unchanged. The whistle was sounded for the night shift to go on work last night, but as none of the miners put in an appearance the South Clifton mine was idle. The night shift at the South Clifton Tunnel mine also failed to put in an appearance. The whistle was sounded again for work this morning, but only the two miners turned up who refused to pay the fine imposed on them by the South Clifton Miners' Lodge some weeks ago, and with whom the other miners refuse to work until the fines are paid. These men went into the mine and completed their shift. The South Clifton Tunnel miners did not turn up for work this morning, and that mine was also thrown idle.

Miners spoken to state that they do not intend to resume work so long as the two men objected to are allowed to continue working without paying the fine imposed on them by the lodge, and that the whole trouble will cease the moment these men pay their fine.

No meeting of the miners lodge has yet been held to consider the situation, but at the last regular meeting of the lodge it was decided not to work with the two men referred to until their fines were paid, and it was on this resolution the miners acted when the two men were reinstated on Tuesday afternoon last. The whistle sounded again this afternoon for work for the night shift, but none of the men put in an appearance. There is not the slightest sign of any settlement being arrived at.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA'S MAILS.

PERTH, Thursday.

Mr. Paterson, vice-president of the Fremantle Chamber of Commerce, condemns the proposal that mailboats should call at Albany on the homeward voyage in order to speed up Western Australian mails. The present inconvenience, he said, was caused by the late arrival of the Orient mail from the eastern States. It would be much increased if steamers did not arrive until Tuesday, and it would be virtually impossible to reply by the P. and O. mail to letters which arrive the same day. "I do not think the Orient Company will entertain the proposal to call at Albany," he said. "Everything possible should be done to see that mails arrive here on Monday, and go east on Tuesday, for it is of the utmost importance to bankers, merchants, and the community generally that there should be as little delay as possible."

ANOTHER HOT DAY.

SUCCEEDED BY A SOUTHERLY CHANGE.

Oppressive conditions were again experienced in the city yesterday, the temperature in the shade reaching 86deg.—a couple of degrees higher than that of the preceding day. Among the registrations of the thermometer in the inland districts yesterday were: Walgett 91deg, Wilcannia 85, Wentworth 79, and Hay and Deniliquin 74.

A southerly change was advised from Jervis Bay at 11.35 a.m. yesterday, from Kiama at 2.15 p.m., and from Wollongong at 3.40 p.m. In the city the wind, which during the day had been blowing from the north-west, veered round to the southward at 5.37 p.m., and blew fresh. A thick haze enveloped portion of the coast-line during the afternoon, and Port Macquarie last night reported "smoke haze."

Scattered thunderstorms are expected to-day.

POTATO BLIGHT.

FOUND IN FRESH DISTRICTS.

PLANTING SEASON AND PROHIBITION.

A paper containing several enclosures was laid on the table of the Legislative Assembly last night by Mr. Perry, Minister for Agriculture, in answer to a question by Mr. Fitzpatrick. The effect of the question was whether it was true, as asserted by Mr. Sullivan, of Bathurst, that potatoes sent to the experimental plot at Milthorpe were found to be suffering from Irish blight, and whether the Minister would give some information as to his intentions regarding the removal or otherwise of the prohibition against potatoes imported from other States.

In regard to the first portion of the query, a report stated that potatoes for the experiment plot were obtained from various parts of the State. Upon receipt they were inspected and sorted over, and doubtful ones being rejected and destroyed. Specimens were submitted to the Bureau of Microbiology, but no Irish blight was found, therefore the potatoes were distributed. In some later consignments, however, blight was found, and instructions were issued to the inspectors to go through the seed before planting, and if they found any doubtful to submit specimens and wait till they had been examined before planting. A number of specimens were sent in, and it was found that two varieties were affected—"Manhattan" and "Coronation." The former were grown at Milthorpe, and the latter at Mount Irvine, two reputedly healthy districts, and the seed was specially valuable in appearance. Directly this was detected instructions were issued to the inspectors to destroy the affected seed. The only specimens of blight sent up country were in formalin, and therefore harmless. It may be pointed out, the report concludes, that in certain stages of the disease it cannot be identified, and certain conditions of temperature and moisture are needed to develop it so as to be readily identified.

Another enclosure begins with a request from the Minister to be informed whether the planting season is over in this State or not, showing when the planting time ceases in each district, and whether it would be absolutely safe to allow potatoes to come in for consumption only. The reply of the inspector to this is that planting has already ceased in the Hunter and Northern River districts, but in others it is proceeding, and in still others farmers are just about to start. Seedsmen report that there is still—this is dated September 29—a fair demand for seed potatoes, and they expect to send out orders for another three weeks, and again in December. As to the question of allowing potatoes to come in for consumption only, it is pointed out that once potatoes leave first hands, and get into the hands of retailers, dealers, and others, these people do not restrict themselves to selling for table purposes only. Invariably the small potatoes are picked over and sold for seed purposes, and they are not particular as to variety.

A further enclosure states that the Minister is anxious to remove the prohibition, and would like a report from Dr. Tidswell and other officers as to when this may safely be done. Dr. Tidswell reported in a memorandum dated September 30, and says that at present the extent of country infected with potato blight is mainly a matter of conjecture. The examinations made in the Microbiological Laboratory are daily affording fresh information as to the amount of blight in this State, but as yet he is very far from being able to even approximately indicate its prevalence. He is not aware that the situation is any better defined in any of the other States, and considers it very unlikely that it should be so. Consequently for the present time it is not possible to delimit infected or healthy areas in the same territory, and all must be regarded with suspicion pending further developments. He knows of no conditions permitting entry in the ordinary course of the potatoes which can be entirely depended upon to safeguard the State from the importation of phytophthera.

"In view of these considerations," he concludes, "I have to advise that there does not appear to me to be any safe substitute for the prohibition, and, in my judgment, the time has not yet arrived when its removal can be considered on a valid basis."

CLARENCE FARMERS' CLAIM.

GRAFTON, Thursday.

At a largely attended meeting of farmers, held under the auspices of the Clarence Pastoral and Agricultural Society, the following resolutions were carried:—"That this meeting of Clarence River farmers respectfully and firmly protest against any embargo being placed on this season's potato crop on the Clarence River on the following grounds:—(1) That none of the summer crop is used for seed purposes outside the Clarence district; (2) that though blight, alleged to be Irish blight, was found in last winter's crop, there is no sign thereof in the growing summer crop in the district, and, in the opinion of experts, it is thought that the blight will not develop in this district with the high temperatures in the summer months; (3) that the summer crop of potatoes will not keep, and must be consumed within a few days of being shipped, therefore the potatoes now in crop on the wharfs for observation is objectionable; if legislation is needed (and this no grower will object to) inspection should be made on the field when harvesting; (4) that to prevent the spread of any disease the department be asked to make provision for the infliction of fines upon growers who do not report Irish blight or other diseases new to the district found in their crops within 48 hours after such discovery." A number of farmers gave it as their experience that owing to climatic conditions blight will not injure the summer crop of potatoes in the Clarence district.

OCEAN QUEEN LOST.

3200-TON STEAM YACHT.

ON HER MAIDEN CRUISE.

WELLINGTON (N.Z.), Thursday.

The Union Company's steamer Hauroto, which arrived in Wellington Harbour from Havelock, Queen Charlotte Sound, to-night, signalled that the Norwegian steamer Ocean Queen was wrecked at Makatea Island, in the Low Archipelago about September 7th. No lives were lost.

DESCRIPTION OF THE VESSEL.

The Ocean Queen, belonging to the Pacific Phosphates Company, was in the type of vessel embodying all the requirement of a yacht. She created much interest in waterside circles when she arrived in Sydney Harbour from her builder's yards in May. She sailed from Sydney on May 26, on an extended cruise of the Islands, and visited Ocean Island, Pleasant Island, Honolulu, and other parts of the South Seas.

The wrecked vessel was a steel screw vessel of 3200 tons, built by Messrs. Wm. Gray and Co., Limited, West Hartlepool, to the order of Mr. Jacob Christensen, Sydney. She had a Board of Trade passenger certificate, and took the highest class in Lloyd's. Her dimensions were:—Length over all, 356ft; breadth, 43ft 6in; and depth, 26ft 1in.

SCENE OF THE DISASTER.

Makatea Island, also known as Aurora Island and Metia Island, is rich in phosphate deposits, and it was some time ago stated that the Pacific Phosphate Company intended to work the deposits. It was probably with this object in view that the Ocean Queen visited Makatea, for several of the officials of the company, including Mr. Arundell, the managing director, were on board. Makatea is a coral island, discovered in 1712, and its northern end is situated in lat. 15.50 south and long. 146deg. 13m. 15s. west.

The north, east, and west sides of the island present a perpendicular cliff or wall, but this character does not prevail on the south side, although it has some high knolls. On the western side of the island there are several small openings in the encircling reef through which landing is practicable for boats during strong easterly winds.

There are several copious springs on the island, and bread-fruit, cocoanut, and pandanus trees grow luxuriantly.

COMMERCE DELEGATES.

QUEENSTOWN (Tas.), Thursday.

Messrs. Moffat, Richards, Ward, and Nicols, commerce delegates, arrived last night on a short visit to Lyell. To-day the party went to the reduction works, and visited Mount Lyell and North Lyell mines, and were unanimous in expressing their surprise at the extent of the company's operations. To-morrow the visitors will be entertained at luncheon by Mr. Sticht, general manager, representing the Mount Lyell Company. Afterwards they will proceed to Zeehan; thence to Burnie on Saturday, en route to Melbourne.

STRAHAN, Thursday.

The delegates were to-day afforded an opportunity of seeing something of the rural conditions in southern Tasmania. In the morning a special railway trip was made through Derwent Valley, where the visitors saw some of the State's finest orchards and hop grounds. They were greatly impressed, and pronounced the opinion that nowhere in Australia could conditions be found that so resembled England and English rural life. In the afternoon they visited Mount Wellington, and upon their return were accorded a reception by the Mayor and aldermen. With the exception of about half a dozen, the delegates sail for New Zealand by the Moeraki to-morrow.

FEDERAL PARLIAMENT.

SUPPLY AND GRIEVANCES.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Four hours of to-day's sitting of the House of Representatives was devoted to grievances. These may be ventilated every third Thursday, and as usual, the Opposition took advantage of the occasion to waste time. The debate was confined principally to criticism of old-age pensions administration, and the working of the Electoral Act.

After tea the Treasurer (Sir John Forrest) moved for supply. He expressed the hope that the bill would pass both Houses by to-morrow. The appropriation was smaller than usual, and the Commonwealth revenue was in a satisfactory condition. The Customs and excise revenue for three months ended September 30 was £2,926,455, as against £2,874,724 for a similar period last year, an increase of £49,731. It was estimated that the decrease in Customs and excise for the year would be £43,985 compared with 1908-9, but up to the present there were no signs of this falling-off. The Post Office revenue for the quarter was £881,000, as against £820,952, showing an advance of about £60,000. It was forecasted that there would be an increase of £140,992 from this source for the year, and everything pointed to the fact that it was going to be realised. There had been increases in Customs and excise revenue in all the States with the exception of Queensland. During the September quarter there had been an increase of £23,195 in New South Wales, in Victoria of £7185, in South Australia of £14,012, in Western Australia of £6859, and in Tasmania of £372; while in Queensland there had been a decline of £7807.

The Supply Bill was passed through all its stages and remitted to the Senate. The House adjourned at 10.25.

THE SENATE.

In the Senate the afternoon was occupied by a debate on the High Commissioner Bill. The evening was devoted to private members' business, when Senator Lt Fraser's motion regarding press cables was discussed at length. The Federal Capital Acceptance Bill was read the first time. The House adjourned at 10.35.

PRIVATE HOSPITALS.

REMARKS BY THE CORONER.

NEED FOR LEGISLATION.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Strong comments were made by the Coroner to-day when inquiring into the death of Gertrude Boswell, aged 19 years, who died in St. Vincent's Hospital in July last from the effects of an illegal operation. Deceased had been employed by a travelling proprietor named Richardson, whose wife has since obtained a divorce from him. Almena Annie Martin stated that she was a nurse and lodging-house keeper. Deceased paid her 3s 6d for a room a few days prior to her death. She told witness that she was affected with rheumatism. She had 16 rooms in her house, and took in lodgers. She was not certificated, nor did she have a regular medical attendant at her nursing establishment. She had been "told" that Richardson visited her house during her absence, and took the girl Boswell out for a drive.

The Coroner said that Richardson had undoubtedly ruined the girl; had her operated upon; and then, after accomplishing all the damage such a scoundrel could do, had cleared away to America. He did not believe a single word of Martin's evidence. The whole subject called for legislation regarding those so-called private hospitals. In fact, the sooner that private hospital business was abolished, the better it would be.

An open verdict was returned.

THE BOUNTIES ACT.

AMOUNTS PAID TO PRODUCERS.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

A statement showing the amounts paid to producers under the Bounties Act for the year ended June 30, 1909, has been prepared by the Customs Department. It affords the following information:—

Item in Schedule.	No. of Claimants.	Area under cultivation or gathered for bounty.	Quantity produced.	Amount of bounty paid.
Cotton, ginned	63	5203 acs.	21,885lb cotton, 36,491lb cotton seed	£37 12s 6d, cotton-seed £11 9s 5d
Fibre (flax, etc)	19	1564½ acs.	45 tons 10cwt 1qr 13lb.	£1746 19/2
Coffee, raw	15	162½ acs.	55,363lb.....	£232 7/1
Tobacco, leaf	13	290½ acs.	14,559lb.....	£1211 3
Fish, preserved	14	—	829,119lb.....	£1727 6/7
Fruit, dittо	1	—	12,096lb.....	£28 5/1
Combed wool or tops	1	—	124,467lb.....	(Bounty paid on 89,985lb). £323 10/7,
Linseed flax	1	20 a.s.	36cwt 1qr 20lb	£3 17/6
Rubber	1	10 acs.	Nil.	Nil.
Totals	154			£2935/10/8

NARRABRI QUARTER SESSIONS.

NARRABRI, Thursday.

At the Quarter Sessions Thomas Wales was sentenced to two years and three months on two charges of embezzlement. Albert Johnston, charged with maliciously wounding a horse, valued at £35, was found guilty and sentenced to three months. W. C. Clarence, on two charges of embezzlement, was remanded to further sittings of the sessions. John Brooklyer, on a charge of inflicting grievous bodily harm, was sentenced to four months' imprisonment.

THE P. AND O. SERVICE.

RUMOURED EXTENSION TO PINKENBA.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

The Premier, questioned yesterday, said that a company had been making necessary inquiries with a view to extending their present service to Brisbane. The inquiries had relation to the depth of water, and the means for handling vessels in port.

It is understood that the P. and O. Company's steamers will shortly berth at Pinkenba.

CASUALTIES.

REVOLVER BULLET WOUND.

The Civil Ambulance was called out yesterday afternoon to 668 Harris-street, where they found James Gall, a tinsmith, aged 56, wounded in the forehead by a revolver bullet. Gall lives at 613 Harris-street, and he said that he was examining the weapon at his workshop (668), when it exploded. He was taken to Sydney Hospital and admitted by Dr. Golledge. Later he was sent to the Reception-house.

PITT-STREET TRAM ACCIDENT.

The man whose skull was fractured by a tram accident in Pitt-street on Wednesday night has been identified as George Ridden, of Martinville.

CHILD SWALLOWS LINIMENT.

Martin Bunch, aged 2 years, living with his parents in Vine-street, Redfern, was admitted to the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital yesterday evening suffering from poisoning. The child obtained a bottle of liniment at his parents' residence, and swallowed portion of the contents. He was admitted to the hospital for treatment.

BODY FLOATING AT SEA.

A fisherman named Frederick Baker, of Sir Joseph Banks-street, Botany, reported to the police yesterday that he saw the body of a woman with dark hair and dressed in a dark dress floating in a southerly direction about a mile and a half outside Botany Heads. It is believed that the body was that of Mrs. Sampson Israel, who was washed overboard from the steamer Marama while on her way to Brisbane on Monday week last.

A CRUSHED HAND.

KYOGLE, Thursday.

Mr. G. Eastern had a hand severely crushed on Monday, while adjusting a pulley attached to a traction engine.

A MINER'S DEATH.

BULLI, Thursday.

An inquiry was held by the Deputy-Coroner (Mr. W. H. Rees) concerning the death of George Henry Waterfield, who was killed by a fall of stone at the South Bulli Colliery. A verdict of accidental death was recorded. The funeral took place this afternoon, when a lengthy cortege, headed by the Town Band, followed the body to the St. Augustine Cemetery. About five hundred of the colliery employees and members of the Foresters' and Orangee Lodges marched in procession.

FALL FROM A HORSE.

MUDGEE, Thursday.

Shortly before 6 o'clock last evening Thomas Rope, aged 41, was thrown from a horse in Church-street. He fell on his forehead, fracturing the frontal bone. He was admitted to the hospital, where he died three hours later. Deceased lived at Mudgee all his life.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—Oct. 7.

China, R.M.S., 7212 tons, Captain Notley, from London, via ports. Passengers—Mr. and Mrs. N. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. F. Mason, Mr. J. W. Dovey, Mrs. Fetherston, Mrs. Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Custer, Mr. and Mrs. Millett, Mrs. and Mrs. J. Peap, Mr. B. C. Forbes, Miss Fletcher, Mr. Buckle, Mr. Cotter, Mr. J. B. Brown, Mr. A. Hamann, Mr. A. Bergner, Mr. and Mrs. Gaschler 4 children 2 infants, maid, Miss Yancik, Mr. and Mrs. Bradney and child, Mr. A. S. Shepherd, Miss E. Turton, Private Chisolm, Private Jackson, in addition to a large number of passengers from interstate ports. E. Trelawny, agent.

Grantala, s, 3055 tons, Captain James Sims, from Cairns, Townsville, Bowen, Mackay (Flattop Island), and Brisbane, en route to Melbourne. Passengers—Saloon 61, second saloon 76. G. S. Yuill and Co., Limited, agents.

Surrey, s, 3493 tons, Captain Gordon, from Townsville, Rockhampton (Keppel Bay), and Brisbane, en route to London. Birt and Co., Limited, agents.

Apoida, s, 4230 tons, Captain Paulsen, from Port Pirie, en route to Antwerp and Hamburg. German-Australian S.S. Company, agents.

Falls of Clyde, British four-masted bq, Captain Roberts, from New York, Vacuum Oil Company, agents.

Castor, British bq, 1353 tons, Captain Campbell, from Capetown, via Semaphore. Hogg, Robinson, and Co., agents.

Port Phillip, s, 4060 tons, Captain Hood, from Newcastle, en route to Antwerp. Gibbs, Bright, and Co., agents.

Wallowra, s, 2681 tons, Captain Brisenden, from Melbourne, en route to Cairns, via Brisbane and ports. G. S. Yuill and Co., Ltd., agents.

Mallina, s, 2211 tons, Captain T. Law Johnstone, from Rockhampton, via Brisbane and Newcastle. Burns, Philp, and Co., Ltd., agents.

Pella, s, 100 tons, Captain Anderson, from Nambucca River. Allen Taylor and

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

STOCKS AND SHARES.

A fair amount of business was effected on 'Change yesterday at prices that varied but slightly. A.J.S. Bank "B" deposits eased 1/6, Permanent Trustee rose 1/, and North Bulli Coal eased 7/, other sales being at late rates.

The following sales were reported:—Morning: "Daily Telegraph" Newspaper, £67; Goodlet and Smith, 19/6; Tooth and Co., 44/6; Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., 57/6; Howard Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., 57/6; Howard Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., 57/6; Howard Smith, ord., 46/9; Permanent Trustee, 5/1; A.J.S. Bank "B" deposits, 11/10½; Newcastle Building, 23/. Afternoon: North Bulli Coal, 23/; Union Bank, £66/5/; A.J.S. Bank "B" deposits, 12/, 11/10½.

Closing quotations were:—

Company.	Amount of Shares.	Shares Paid Up.	Last Div. Per Annum.	Last Sale.	Price. Buyer.	Seller.	Yield to Investor.
STOCKS.							
N.S.W. F.S., due 1912	..	3	84½	84½	85	35	
Do., due 1912	..	3½	97	..	..	97	
Do., due 1912	..	4	100½	100	100½	34	
Do., due 1924-5	..	3	90½	..	..	44	
Do., due 1924-5	..	4	96	..	..	44	
Do., due 1971	..	3½	96½	96	97	34	
Do., due 1923	..	3½	99½	96	..	34	
Do., Act 1873	..	4	104	104	107	34	
Do. Debentures	..	4	100	..	..	44	
D., T. Bk., 1911	..	3½	99½	98	..	4	
Ditto, 1910	..	4	100	100	..	4	
N.Z. Deb., 1908	..	4	100	..	100	44	
Ditto, 1911	..	4	101	..	102	34	
Q. Deb., 1912	..	4	101½	100	101	34	
Ditto, T. Bills	..	4	100½	100	..	34	
Aus. Gas. D., '22	..	4	101½	101	..	34	
City Syd. Deb.	..	4	102	101	..	34	
Col. Sugar, D.'14	..	5	106	104	..	34	
BANKS.							
Australasia	40	40	14	112½	114	46	5
Bank of N. Q.	7	2	5	40/	..	40/6	5
City of Sydney	8	8	3	80/	79/	81/	6
Ditto, pref.	..	10	8	3	75/	..	77/6
Com. of Aus.	10	10	10	..	..	10/	10/
Ditto, pref.	10	10	3	5/14/8	5/14/	5/18/	5
Com. of Sydney	25	12½	10	30/	30/	31/	4
Nat. Aus. ord.	50	25	5	5	..	5/2/6	5
Ditto, pref.	10	10	5	..	..	..	..
N.S.W.	20	20	10	50½	50	50½	4
New Zealand	64	34	12½	9/3/	9/2/	9/4	4
Q'land National	5	3	..	17/4½	..	17/6	..
Royal of Q.	9	6½	4½	5/2/	..	5/4/	..
Union	75	25	14	66½	66	66½	4
DEPOSITS.							
A.J.S. Bank—							
Class B	3	..	..	11/10½	11/10½	12/	..
Class B., 1917	..	3	..	..	12/	11/9	..
Class B., 1912	..	3	..	..	11/9	11/6	4
Ditto, Incr.	..	3½	..	..	11/6	11/9	..
Com. of Aus.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Assets	..	3	..	..	17/9	17/6	..
E. S. and A.							
Incr., pref.	..	3	..	..	12/6	12/6	..
Ditto, Def.	..	4	..	..	17/6	17/6	..
Ditto, Deb.	..	4	..	..	17/6	17/6	..
Q'land National	..	3½	..	..	17/2	16/9	..
STEAM.							
Adelaide S'ship	1	1	10	38/	37/6	..	..
Aust. N. Zeal'y	1	1	10	82/6	81/9	82/6	6
H. Smith, ord.	1	1	15	46/9	46/9	47/6	4
Ditto, pref.	..	1	10	21/3	21/	..	..
Illawarra	1	15/	7	19/6	17	18/	..
Newcastle	1	1	6	23/6	23/	24/	5
North Coast	..	1	17/6	27	26/9	27	6
Port Jackson	..	15/	10	57/	57/6	60/	3
Sydney Ferries	1	1	12½	74/	73/	75/	4
Union of N.Z.	1	1	8	34/3	34/3	..	..
INSURANCE.							
A. M. Fire	..	1	15/	1½	45/	45/	..
Col. Mutual	..	6	15	19½	19½	60/9	61
Mer. Mutual	..	1	6/	16½	17/9	17/9	18/3
New Zealand	..	10	2	19	18/	20/	10
Queensland	..	1	10/	3	3/3	..	19/3
United	..	10	2½	2½	5/	5/	5
GAS.							
Albury	..	1	12/6	10	22/6	21/	..
Australian	..	6	5	15½	19½	19½	20
Do. new issue	..	6	3	15½	11	11	13½
Charters Towers	10	10/	10	14/9	..	..	10/
Goulburn	..	15	5	55/6	55/6	..	..
Grafton	..	1	8	32/	31/	..	..
Kat., Leura	..	1	8	24/	21/	..	..
Maitland	..	5	5	8½	..	8½	..
Manly	..	1	9½	45/	45/	49/	4
Ditto, new	..	15/	9½	20/	20/	22/6	9
Mudgee	..	1	5	25/	24/	..	..
Newcastle	..	2	15	7	6½	7½	4
North Shore	..	1	8	41/3	41/4	41/6	5
New Issue	..	..	..	23/6	21/	..	..
South Brisbane	10/	10/	10	..	21/	..	..
Ditto, pref.	10/	7/	10	..	..	..	..
BREWERIES.							
C. and W. Bros.	..	1	4	10/6	10/3	10/6	7½
Perkins'	15/	15/	20	29/6	29/6	30/6	6
Toohey's	10/	10/	5	14/3	14/	14/6	4
Tooth's	..	1	10	44/6	44/	44/6	4
MISCELLANOUS.							
Aarons' Ex. Hld.	1/5	11/	5	5/6	5/3	5/6	10
A. Taylor, Co.	..	1	10	28/	27/9	..	..
Aus. Hat Mills	..	1	7	..	7/6	..	..
Aus. Newspaper	..	1	9/9	..	9/6	7/3	..
Ditto, pref.	..	1	5	10/	10/	14/	10
B. H. W. Supply	15/	15/	10	17/	16/6	17/3	18
Brooks, W.	..	1	10	20/	..	..	..
Burns, Philp	..	1	10	43/6	43/3	..	..
Ditto, 10/ paid	..	10/	10	25/	23/	25/	4
Col. Sugar	20	20	10	48	46	48	4
Dalgety, Co.	20	5	7	6½	6	6½	4
Dunlop R., pref.	..	1	10	20	20/9	30/	6
Ditto, ord.	..	1	5	3/3	3/	3/3	5
Emu B. Rail.	..	1	9	4/10½	2/	2/9	..
Kan. F.G. P.M.	1	16/	11	19/	19/	20/	7
E. Rich. Co.	..	1	5	13/	12/	15/	7
Goodlet, Smith	15/	15/	8	19/6	19/6	21/	4
H., Jones, Dev.							
Bn.	..	1	7	25/	23/	25/	5
Ditto, contg.	..	1	10/	12/9	12/6	12/9	7
Hotel Metropole	..	1	7	27/	26/6	..	..
Ditto, pref.	..	1	6	1/1/2	22/6	..	..
Ditto, contg.	..	1	6	1/1/2	16/	20/	..
Ditto, pref.	..	1	6	21/6	22/	..	..
H. Clarke, Co.	..	1	8	25/	24/9	..	..
Ditto, pref.	10	10	6	10/	..	..	..
Melb. Trade	1	10	2½	39/1½	41/	42/	4
Mont de Piete	1	1	10	41/6	40/	42/	4
Mort's Dock	..	1	6	23/	21/	..	..
N.S.W. F.F.I.	..	1	6	23/	22/	..	..
N.S.W. F.F.I.	12	10	6	11/	11	11/6	5½
Paul and Gray	1	1	10	23/6	23/6	24/6	..
Perpetual, A.	..	1	10	30/	30/	31/	6
Ditto, B.	..	1	10	..	29/	31/	6
Perp. Trust	..	5	2½	5	5/1	5/	..
Perp. Trust	10	5	5	12½	12½	12/3	3½
Pitt, Son, Badgery	..	1	12½	10	20/	19/6	6
Q. Mut. Ex.	..	1	3	..	2/	..	..
R. H. Gordon	..	1	10	..	22/6	31/	..
R. and Wrench	..	1	5	14/6	14/6	..	..
Stan. Waygood	..	1	10	27/	26/	27/6	..
Ditto, contg.	..	1	10/6	15/	15/	16/	..
Sargents, Ltd.	..	1	10	29/3	29/3	..	..
Sly, Trans	..	1	1	1/	1/	..	..
Syd. Cyclorama	..	1	5	10/	10/	18	6½
Sydney Flour	10	10	10	£12/6/	12/4	..	..
Syd. Hydraulic	..	1	10	24/9	24/	25/	8
Ditto, contg.	..	1	10	11/6	11/6	11/6	8½
S. Hy. and E.E.	1	15/	12½	27/6	27/6	..	..
W. H. Soul	..	1	1	20/	20/	..	..
Wright, Heaton	2½	2½	..	3	..	..	..
Wunderlich	..	1	7	..	24/9	25/6	..
Ditto, pref.	..	1	7	..	..	..	..
LAND and BD.							
Haymarket	..	..	..	..	22/	..	..
Indus. Prov.	20	20	6	18	18	..	..
Inter. Inv.	1	15/	12½	31	30/	..	..
Newcastle Bldg.	..	2	..	23/	22/	25/	..
S. Aus. L.M.	..	7	5	..	10/	..	..
COAL.							
Abermain	..	1	18/6	15	31/3	31/	..
Bellambi	..	1	..	12½	48	48/	4½
Caledonia	..	10	10	10	12½	12½	8
Last Greta	..	1	1	10	28/	28/3	28/6
Hebden Greta	..	1	1	10	5	5/6	..
Hetton	..	5	5	6	7/6	7/	8/
Metrop. 1 pref.	..	1	8	21/6	21/	..	..
Ditto, 2 pref.	..	1	5	12/9	12/6	13/3	7½
Ditto, Trust	..	..	..	..	/6	1/6	..
Mt. Kembla	10	10	18	25½	25	..	..
Newcastle	1	10	5	6/3	6/1/6	6/11/6	8
North Bulli	..	1	10	23/	22/	..	..
Seaham	..	1	1	6	12/	..	..
South Greta	10	10	10	12/	11/9	..	..
Vale of Clwydd	..	1	10	35/	34/	34/	5½
Wallsend	10	10	20	27½	27	27½	7
Waratah	..	6	1	..	1/6	..	..
W. and B. la.	..	1	..	12	12/3	14/9	..
Ditto, new	..	1	18/	..	10/	..	..
Ditto, pref.	..	1	1	36/6	33/	..	..

† Where dividends are interim the yield is based on a year's distribution, otherwise on the last half-yearly one. * Plus annual payments of 18/8 per cent.

INTERSTATE EXCHANGES.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

To-day's Exchange sales were:—Victorian 4 per cent. stock, 1923, £104; ditto 3½ per cent. Treasury bonds, £99 10/; Commercial Bank, pref., £5/17/; Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., 57.; 56/9; Colonial Mutual Co., Insurance, 63/; Emu Bay Railway, pref., A, 11/9; Melbourne Trust, 41/; De Bavays, 64/, 62/; Kauri Timber, 16/2; Zinc Corporation, 13/3.

FINANCIAL.

TREND OF INTERSTATE TRADE.

Some little time back, commenting upon the interstate adjustments of duty, we ventured the opinion that since federation New South Wales had lost ground, while Victoria had gained. It was only reasonable to suppose that under freetrade conditions New South Wales would have monopolised a large portion of the interstate trade, and more particularly that part which is described as the transhipment trade, and that when the uniform tariff was imposed the parent State would have lost some of her former advantage. The accuracy of our statement was challenged. We now have a return published on the authority of the Victorian Government Statistician, and based on Federal trade returns, which quite bears out our contentions. The figures referred to follow:—

TRADE WITH OTHER STATES.

State.	1900. Excess of Imports (+) Exports (−)	1908. Excess of Imports (+) Exports (−)
	£	£
Victoria	+1,106,979	−1,956,856
New South Wales	+184,809	+3,721,210
Queensland	−2,345,603	−3,701,329
South Australia	+207,192	+148,243
Western Australia	+1,450,125	+2,031,285
Tasmania	+300,723	−958,410

So we see that whereas, prior to federation, Victoria imported from other States more than £1,000,000 in excess of what she sent them, last year she sent them goods to the value of nearly one and a quarter million in excess of what she received from them. New South Wales, on the other hand, whereas she received an excess of only £184,809 in the earlier year quoted, has increased her excess to nearly three and three-quarter millions. Of course this is not all transhipment trade, but, taken in conjunction with the Customs figures, makes the true position fairly clear.

INSURANCE COMPANY AND AGENT.

A case interesting to insurance men, in which one of the parties was an Australian office trading in the United Kingdom, recently came up for hearing in the City of London Court. The National Mutual Life Association of Australasia defended a claim for commission on the part of one of its agents. The amount involved was a trifling one, but the office considered that there was a principle involved. It raised the question of its liability under the Prevention of Corruption Act, which is a measure resembling our Secret Commission Act, and explained through its counsel that it wanted "judicial guidance for future dealings," having regard to the fact that under the Act its officers might become liable to two years' imprisonment. Briefly these were the facts: An agent or inspector of agents had in connection with a sub-agent for £2000, and, calling on the proposer, he persuaded him to increase it to £300. It would appear from the terms of plaintiff's appointment that he thus earned an overriding commission on the case (in addition to that paid to the sub-agent); but defendants submitted that if an agent received more than the usual commission without the knowledge of the assured the company would be liable for paying a secret commission. Counsel on their behalf went so far as to contend that the plaintiff was the agent of both the assured and the company. The Judge, however, held that everybody who insured knew that the agent would be paid a commission, and what did it matter to him whether it was £1 per cent. or £2 per cent.? Judgment was given for the plaintiff. In insurance circles in England it appears to be the general opinion that the decision squares with equity and common sense, and that it would have been impossible to enforce the life assurance work through agents any longer had the contention of the company prevailed.

AVIATORS AS A RISK.

Just as insurance of motor cars and their owners and drivers has during the last few years become a not unimportant branch of the insurance business of the day, so in the near future risks will doubtless be freely taken on aviators and aeroplanes and airships. Indeed, the matter has already received not a little attention in insurance circles, not perhaps here, but abroad. Already one company is offering protection at a figure which seems reasonable, although actual experience can alone decide the percentage of risk. Consideration has to be given to the fact that aeroplanes and airships are at present in the hands of scientific experts, and that if aerial locomotion develops into general use mortality and accidents may for a time assume large proportions. Not long ago a marine insurance company obtained power to insure risks in the air, but the business is confined to indemnity for damage done to other people's property by balloons or airships. Lloyds' underwriters are now interesting themselves in aerial navigation risks. A month or so since a premium was placed at 30 to 33 guineas per cent. to pay a total loss if M. Latham or any other aviator succeeded in flying the Channel within two months. Later a "line" was placed, it is understood, on behalf of French clients, at 40 guineas per cent., for an similar insurance to September 30. Each of the policies provided that a heavier-than-air "ship" must be used for the purpose, but allowed that the trip could be made from either the French or English coast. In view of M. Blériot's triumph these policies must have become claims. It is understood that this is the first time insurances have been effected in London in connection with airships. On aeroplanes and monoplanes offers have been made in the "Room" to cover insurances against the risk of loss or damage to the structures themselves, but the business has hitherto been declined on the ground of being too risky. Under the extension of powers recently granted to a leading marine insurance company risks of aerial navigation may be taken as well as maritime perils.

BANK ABSTRACTS.

The following is a statement of the average liabilities and assets of the undermentioned bank in this State, for the quarter ended September 30, together with the figures for the previous quarter, which are given in parentheses:—

English, Scottish, and Australian Bank, Limited.—Notes in circulation, £30,100 (£31,478); deposits not bearing interest, £666,732 (£715,457); deposits bearing interest, etc., £964,121 (£955,050); gold and bullion, £388,059 (£440,055); advances, £1,819,655 (£1,741,438).

AUSTRALIAN-OWNED VESSELS.

A statement has been prepared showing the number and tonnage of vessels on the registers of the various States of the Commonwealth, New Zealand, and New Guinea. It is remarkable in this connection how Victoria keeps to the foreground. Though the actual number of vessels is greater in New South Wales, the tonnage is much greater in Victoria, as far as steamers are concerned. The position is reversed in relation to sailing vessels. The following is the statement referred to:—

State.	Steamers. No.	Steamers. Tonnage.	Sailing Vessels. No.	Sailing Vessels. Tonnage.
Victoria	160	104,107	307	33,141
New South Wales	538	76,083	540	52,846
Queensland	90	15,705	204	9,119
South Australia	111	41,961	249	17,533
Western Australia	42	11,947	358	9,554
Tasmania	57	8,096	166	8,612
Total Australia	1,016	258,340	1,728	130,084
New Guinea	..	..	1	5
New Zealand	270	97,158	269	48,460
Total	1,286	355,498	2,103	177,072

Compared with 1907, steamers owned in Australia and New Zealand have increased by 35 in number and 32,866 in tonnage, and sailing vessels by 35 in number and 3707 in tonnage.

N.S.W. AND VICTORIAN SAVINGS.

According to the latest returns depositors in the savings banks of the southern State are much more numerous than those in New South Wales, but the amount at the credit of the smaller number in this State largely exceeds that at the credit of the larger number in Victoria. The actual figures are as follow:—

	N.S.W.	Vic.
Depositors, No.	467,218	425,988
Amount of deposits	£17,849,384	£14,101,710
Increase for year	£1,511,333	£672,034

It is noteworthy, too, that the increase for last year was more than twice as great in New South Wales as in Victoria.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

At yesterday's wool sales 9700 bales were offered and 8600 bales were sold at full rates, except for faulty lots, which ruled irregular.

Commonwealth gold exports from January 1 to nearest dates have totalled £5,229,000 against £10,572,000 last year for the corresponding period.

So far this season Australian wheat exports have approximated 34,628,000 bushels, valued at £6,862,000.

Butter exports from Commonwealth ports so far this season have been nearly four times as heavy as those for the corresponding portion of last year, though they do not yet come up to the shipments of previous seasons.

COMMERCIAL.

THE MARKETS.

Most of the Jewish houses being closed and the trail of the turf being over others, business this week has been rather restricted. Linseed oil was very active. Several merchant orders were on the market, and distributing prices are showing a tendency to further harden. The locally-manufactured oil, for which there was more inquiry, advanced 1/2 per gallon. Fencing wires were also very firm, and likely to be better. The markets on the other side were advised higher. Fraser, Uther, and Co. reported having sold at auction 25 cases of 26 g. g.c. iron at £15, five cases 24 g. at £13/10/ to £14/15/, according to length, and seven cases of plain galvanised at £13 to £14. Cornsacks and woolpacks were both firm, but less active. Wheat and flour were quiet. The tea market was rather in buyers' favour. Owing to local scarcity and higher prices in the East, nutmegs advanced on spot. In the general produce markets maize was better. Peas and onions were easier. Potatoes advanced at auction. An auction of an engineering and electrical stock is advertised for to-day.

HAM AND BACON IN THE STRAITS.

"A very large business is done in hams and bacon at the Straits Settlements. As an illustration of it I may mention," reports Mr. Sutton, "that in 1908 £97,810/4/4 worth was exported to the places named. Chinese being the principal consumers, the hams and bacon are cured to their liking. If we were to pay more attention to raising in New South Wales pigs of the Berkshire stamp, good demands exist, not only at the Straits Settlements, but at nearly all Oriental ports, for hogs' flesh is to the Chinese what beef and mutton are to the English."

BUTTER SHIPMENTS.

The following are particulars of butter shipments to London from the Commonwealth for the seven days ended October 5:—

Ship—	Vict. Boxes.	N.S.W. Boxes.	Q'land. Boxes.	S.A. Boxes.
Geelong	—	—	—	110
Ayrshire	—	—	1,600	—
Mooltan	—	—	—	1,825
Osterley	12,807	2,776	2,500	—
Salamis (Oct. 2)	—	—	2,775	—
	12,807	2,776	7,075	1,935

SHIPMENTS FROM

July 1 to Sept. 29	29,293	17,521	21,289	8,299
Total to October 5	42,100	21,297	18,364	4,360

BREADSTUFFS.

The London market was a trifle firmer in tone, although there was little disposition to buy. Shippers were offering 3/9 to 3/10, but getting little. Melbourne operators were also locating few sellers, although they were offering 1d to 1d per bushel cheaper. Sellers quoted old wheat generally at 4/9d., although some lots were bought at 4/8.

Flour was quiet. Millers reported small sales at £12. New flour for January-March delivery was offered for export at £8/10/ to £8/15/ per ton.

At Darling Harbour yesterday 278 tons of wheat and 35 tons of flour were manifested to arrive.

WHEAT LOADINGS AND STACKS.

The wheat despatches for the week ended October 2 totalled 22,356 bags (15,576 south, 1145 west, 5639 north), leaving 99,451 bags in the stacks, distributed as follows:—

Station.	No. of bags.	Station.	No. of bags.
Temora	6,211	Berrigan	2,000
Gidgiulong	1,742	Finley	387
Lockhart	1,948	Marlee	5,744
Henty	5,819	Gourie	85
Culcairn	1,091	Greenthorpe	4,985
Germanton	4,503	Manilla	1,000
Brocklesby	80	Darling Island	44,072
Corowa	9,000		
Coolamon	4,582	Total	99,451

On October 3 last year the stacks comprised 204,832 large bags.

GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

TEA.

The Colombo market was cabled irregular for common kinds and strong for medium to fine. Calcutta was also firm. On spot very little business was doing. At auction only about market valuations were realised, as these were under import costs. Stocks on spot have lightened very materially, and there is now very little pressure of supplies.

Fraser, Ugher, and Co., Ltd., report having sold under instructions from Thompson, Fraser, Ramsay Proprietary, Limited, 480 packages of Ceylons, realising prices as follow:—Fanings up to /8d, broken orange pekoe fanings to /8½, pekoes to /8, and broken pekoes to /9½.

CHEMICALS.

Rosin: "G" grade, £10/12/6 to £10/15/ spot, according to parcel; "N" grade, £14 to £14/5/.

Cream of tartar: 95 per cent., /8; 99 per cent., /8½.

Citric acids: 1/4½ in parcels.

Tartaric crystals: /10½; powdered, /10½.

Bluestone: Macclesfield, parcels, £22.

Borax: Powder, £19/10/; crystals, £18/10/, in parcels in the cwt kegs, 5cwt kegs 10/ less.

Flowers of sulphur: Parcels, £7/15/.

Sodas: Bicarbonate (Brunner Mond), £7/10/ in 2's, £8 in 1's, in parcels; caustic, Musprati's, in parcels, £12 spot; Greenbank's, in parcels, £14/10/. Alkali soda, ligged, £5/15/ for parcels, lump £5 parcels; soda ash, £7/5/.

Carbide: £13 to £14 per ton, according to brand.

OILS.

Kerosene (per gallon): Snowflake, ex store, Sydney and Newcastle, /10d per gallon; to arrive, ex Balmore, Sydney only, /10½; engine kerosene, /7½ to /8d.

Motor car spirits: 1/5d 4-gallon tins, 1/7½ 2-gallon tins.

Linseed oil (per gallon): First brands 3/6 to 3/7, double-boiled 3/8 to 3/9; second brands, raw 3/4 to 3/5, boiled 3/6 to 3/7; local, 3/2 in casks, 3/4 in drums.

Turpentine (per gallon): Pratt's, 3/9; Pinetree, 3/8.

Olive: Italian, pure, 11/6 to 12/ per gallon, duty paid.

Castor: Spot, 2/10 in cases, 3/ in drums.

China: Pure, 4/9; denaturated (under Customs supervision), 3/10 (in 5's) and 3/11 (in 1's).

Cottonseed: Shanghai, 5/5; American winter drawn, 5/3; denaturated, 2/10 (in 4's), 3/ (in 1's and 5's).

Rapeseed: No. 1, 3/3; refined, 3/6. Colza: Recognised brand, 4/ to 4/3, in gallon drums.

Japanese Fish: No. 1 Yokohama herring, £36/10/ per ton spot, £1 less c.i.f.c. to arrive November; No. 2 ordinary fish, 1/3 per gallon net.

Whale: Special pale, 2/6 per gallon; ex cases; Polar, 2/1; Japanese, extra special, 2/ per gallon.

Cod: Japanese, 1/8 net; Norwegian, 2/2; Newfoundland, 2/.

Creosote: Pure, 2/ per gallon in casks, 2/8 in drums.

Whitelead: First brands, in cwts, £29 per ton; in quarters, £29/10/; second brands, in cwts, from £27/10/, in ton lots.

Redlead: First brands, £27 (in cwts); second brands, in quarters, 1/5 more.

Zinc, white: Australian, dry, £25 per ton, in parcels; 26/6 per cwt, in small lots, net. Best English brands, ground in oil, extra white, £45 to £46 per ton.

Nestsfoot: Pure, 2/6 cask, 2/9 to 3/ drum; compound, 2/ to 2/3.

Blacklead: Pot: Local, 5/6 in drums; lead lots, smaller quantities, 5/9; local, 40-gallon casks, 35/; imported, 32-gallon casks, 38/; 40-gallon casks, 45/.

Mutton fat: Sheep oil: Australian, 3/3 net, for distributing lots.

Rosin oil: £18 to £20, according to quality.

METALS.

Fencing wires:—

Black German, ex store, No. 8, £8/7/6 to £8/10/; No. 10, £8/12/6; American, No. 8 £8/12/6, No. 10 £8/17/6 to £9.

Galvanised: German, No. 6 £10, No. 10 £10; American, No. 8 £10, No. 10 £10/5/.

Barbed: Australian, 12-gauge, £14/10/, 14-gauge £15/10/, 15-gauge £16/10/, 14-gauge 4-point, £15/15/; German, £14/5/ and £15/15/; American lows, No. 12 £14/15/, No. 16 £16/5/; long-distance English, £17/10/ and £18/10/ for 12 an. 14 gauge respectively.

C. C. iron: First brands £17/17/6, second brands £17/7/6, third brands £17, in 4ft lengths; in 6ft lengths, 5/ per ton more; 10ft length, 30/ more.

Plain G. iron, 24, 26, and 28 gauge, first brands, £17/5/6, £15/7/6, and £19/2/6; 10/ less for second brands.

Bar iron: £10/15/ in ton lots; shoeing iron, £11/15/; shoeing steel, 12/ to 12/6 per cwt.

Steel plates: £12/10/ per ton.

Hoop iron: Galvanised £16 per ton, black £11 per ton.

Sheet lead: £17/10/ in full rolls; sheet zinc, £20 to £20/10/.

Piping: English makes—Black 70½ off list; galvanised, 62½; steam, 60.

Guttering and downpiping: 40 to 45 per cent. off list.

Wire nails: List for ton lots, 5 per cent. on list small lots.

Galvanised roofing screws: 48/ per cwt.

Tinplates: I.C. coke, 20 x 14, 14/9 to 15/ spot, 28 x 20 30/6; I.C. charcoal, 18/.

Wire netting: Australian, 1 yard, £1; Australian, A grade £20/17/6, B £20/17/6; English, A £27/7/6 to £28/10/, B £26, C £24; German, best heavy, £23 to £28/10/; B £26, C £24; 2 in., Australian, £21/10/; B £20; English A, £27/10/; German, £12/15/, 36 x 1½ x 18, Australian, £19/15/; English, A grade £21, B £17/15/ to £15; German, A £21, B £18, 36 x 1½ x 18, Australian £16, English £15/15/.

Plaster: King's Windsor, spot, 17/6.

Rabbit traps: Gridiron's, 30/, in tank lots, 10/3 to 15/ broken stock; Bideford's, 9/.

Sheep shears: Standard brands, 34/6.

Cartridges: 12 g C.F., 72/6; 22 calibre R.F., black powder, 13/3 short, 14/9 long; smokeless, 14/3 to 16/3.

Explosives: Dynamite, 45/6; gelignite, £1; gelatine dynamite, 50/6; blasting gelatine, 55/6 per case of 50lb; ordinary blasting powder, 30/ per 25lb; fuses, brands, double-tape, /8d per coil, in cases of 300 coils; second brands, /6 per coil.

Cement: 11/6 to 12/, according to brand and parcel.

JUTE.

New standard cornsacks: 5/.

Bramhags: 2/3.

Woolpacks: 2/11.

Ore pockets: 2/6 for 16cn and 3/ to 3/1 for 20cn spot.

EASTERN PRODUCE.

Rice: Best Japan, £22 to £22/5/ per ton; locally dressed, £18 to £20 per ton in 56lb bags.

Sago: £11/10/ to £12 per ton in parcels, 12/ to 12/6 per cwt.

Tapioca: Medium pearl, £12/10/ to £13 per ton in parcels; 10/ to 12/6 per cwt in small lots.

Pearl Barley: £14, in parcels; £14/5/ in 56lb bags.

Split Peas: 17/ per cwt, 17/3 in 56lb bags.

Seeds: Canary, £18 to £20 per ton, according to parcel; 19/6 per cwt in small lots, 20/ to 20/6 per parcels. Rape, 23/ to 23/6 per cwt. Linseed, 18/ per cwt, in small lots; ten lots, £16/10/. Mixed birdseed, 20/6 per cwt; white millet, 15/.

Spices: Cloves, 1/ per lb; nutmegs, /9 in case lots, /10 to 1/ smaller quantities; mace, 2/ per lb; pimento, /8½ to /9 per lb; caraway seeds, /9 per lb. Pure white pepper, /11 per lb; mixed, /7; pure black, /10 per lb; mixed, /8. Stick cinnamon, 1/3 per lb. Mixed spice, loose /10, 1oz packets 1/. Nutmegs, case lots /8½, small lots /11 to 1/.

Oatmeal: 7lb bags, £19/10/ per ton; flaked, 7lb bags, £20/10/ to £21; 2lb packets, 5/ per doz.; rolled oats, 5lb bags, £21 to £20 per ton, according to brand.

Whole bleached ginger, in 10lb packets, /8½ per lb; ground ginger, loose /8½, in tins /9½; preserved, /7½ to /8 in 1lb packets.

Arrowroot: /9½ to /7.

Peels: Lemon, /8½ to /7; orange, /8½; citron, /8½.

The amount of wool manifested to arrive at Darling Harbour yesterday totalled 9330 bales.

LONDON MARKET CABLES.

TALLOW SALES.

LONDON, Oct. 6, 1 p.m.

At the sales of Australian and New Zealand tallow to-day 849 casks were offered and 654 were sold at last week's rates, with an occasional advance of 3d.

SILVER.

Oct. 6, 3.30 p.m.

Bar silver is quoted to-day 1/11 13-16 per ounce standard.

METALS.

Oct. 7, 4.55 a.m.

Yesterday's closing quotations were:—

Copper, spot, b £57/17/6, s £58/2/6 (8/9 down); three months, b £58/16/3, s £59/1/3 (6/3 down); electrolytic, £59/15/ (5/ down).

Tin, spot, b £139/5/, s 139/15/ (15/ down); three months, b £140/7/6, s £140/17/6 (5/ down).

VISIBLE AMERICAN WHEAT.

The visible supplies of American wheat and flour east of the Rockies are estimated at 39,081,000 bushels of wheat, as compared with 39,066,000 bushels last week, and 54,637,000 bushels last year.

TALLOW.

Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Limited, have received from their London house, under yesterday's date, the following cable:—"Prices are unchanged since our last report. Quotations are as follow:—Fair to good mutton tallow, demand steady at from 32/ to 32/6 per cwt; beef, demand ste

MINING.

THE SHARE MARKET.

The fact that the price of copper fell another 7/6 per ton, bringing it to £58, was not cheering news to scrip-holders, and was not conducive to a buoyant market. In the sales recorded, Wallaroo and Moonta receded /6; but Kangiara Proprietary held steady at 4/6; whilst Kylee Copper (comg) firmed from 17/ to 17/6, with the preferential scrip improving /3. The quotations for other stocks were not rigorous.

The silver section opened with a weakly feeling, especially for B. H. South, B.H. Junction North, and Sulphide Corporation, but the market subsequently firmed, with the result that B.H. Junctions recovered from 37/6 to 38/; Sulphide (ord), after selling at 19/, a decline of /3, were afterwards unobtainable at 19/3, with sales on terms from 19/3 to 20/. British (old) started at 26/, a decline of /3, but afterwards recovered that amount. B.H. South Blocks was unchanged at 34/3; B.H. South (contg) recovered /6; whilst the paid scrip were quoted /6 better by buyers. Zinc Corporation (preference) sold firmly at 53/; but B.H. Proprietary sold on six weeks' terms 1/ below late rates for ordinary delivery.

Both gold and tin scrip claimed very little attention. In the case of the former Harden Centrals and Sandstone Development sold at weak prices. Vulcan Tin held steady, whilst Tongkah Harbour Tin were unobtainable at an improved rate.

The business of the afternoon does not call for much notice. The forward movement in Kylee Copper continued; Einasleigh Copper advanced from 14/3 to 15/; and Tolwong Minerals receded 1/9. In silver shares, B.H. Junction, B.H. South and South Blocks commanded good support; whilst British (old) made a further recovery of /6. Gold shares furnished a larger amount of business than usual, whilst in tin scrip both Vulcan Tin and Tongkah Harbour Tin were supported at better rates.

Sydney Stock Exchange.—The closing quotations were:—

	Buyers. £ s d	Sellers. £ s d
COPPER.		
Rodgers' Mines	—	0 10 0
Cambrian, paid	—	0 3 3
Chillagoe, contributing	0 4 3	0 4 6
Grafton	—	1 1 0
Great Fitzroy	—	1 16 3
Kangiara Mines	1 14 0	1 15 0
Ditto, contributing	1 10 0	—
Kangiara North, cont.	—	0 0 6
Kangiara Proprietary	0 4 6	0 4 8
Kylee	0 17 7½	0 18 0
Ditto, preference	0 19 0	1 0 6
Lloyd Copper	0 5 0	0 5 3
Lode's Hole	0 6 0	0 8 0
Ditto, contributing	0 2 9	0 3 9
M'Gregor-Cloncurry, paid	—	0 3 0
Mount Elliott	3 16 0	3 16 0
Mount Molloy	0 3 0	0 4 0
Mungana (Chillagoe)	—	0 2 6
O. K.	0 2 6	0 2 7
Queen Bee	0 5 6	—
Tolwong Minerals	0 18 0	1 0 0
Wallaroo and Moonta	2 2 6	2 3 0
TIN.		
Gilmore	0 1 0	0 1 6
Vegetable Creek	0 5 3	0 5 6
Vulcan	0 2 9½	0 3 11
SILVER.		
New South Wales, etc.		
British, Broken Hill	1 6 3	1 6 9
Broken Hill Proprietary	2 5 0	—
Ditto, Block 14, preference	0 11 9	0 12 6
B. H. Junction	—	0 0 6
B. H. Junction North	1 18 0	1 18 3
B. H. South	0 8 0	0 8 9
B. H. South, contributing	0 3 0	0 3 6
B. H. South Blocks	1 14 3	1 14 6
Sulphide Corporation, ord.	0 19 9	1 0 6
Sulphide Corporation, pref.	—	0 19 6
Zinc Corporation, pref.	—	0 13 6
Ditto, pref.	2 11 6	—
GOLD.		
New South Wales, etc.		
Baker's Creek	0 0 11	0 1 1
Gold Hill, contributing	0 5 8	—
Hardens	—	1 9 9
Harden Centrals, paid	0 1 7	0 1 11
Ditto, contributing	0 0 9	0 0 11
Main Ridge Deep Lead	0 1 0	—
Mount David	—	0 1 6
Myall and Peak Hill, paid	—	0 1 6
New Hillgrove Proprietary	0 0 2½	0 0 5
Dredging and Sluicing.		
Arahura Redlands	—	0 8 6
Bourke's Hill Tin	0 5 6	—
Buckland River	0 2 8	—
Ditto, preference	0 10 0	0 15 0
Cope's Creek	—	0 4 0
Great Britain Sluicing	1 7 0	—
Ovens Valley	—	0 6 6
Stanbroepe	0 2 0	—
Tewkesbury Proprietary, contributing	—	0 13 0
Tongkah Harbour Tin	1 15 0	1 16 2
QUEENSLAND.		
Charters Towers, etc.		
Bonnie Dundee	—	0 2 9
Brilliant, ex. contributing	—	0 4 2
Brilliant Central	0 2 6	0 2 10
Brilliant Extended	0 10 6	0 11 3
East Mungana, paid	0 4 8	0 5 0
Marshall's Queen	—	0 3 9
Mount Morgan	3 13 0	3 14 0
Ruby	0 1 10	0 2 0
Victory	—	0 2 6
Gympie.		
East Oriental and Glanmire	—	0 8 0
East Oriental and Glanmire, contributing	—	0 5 0
Great Northern, contributing	—	0 0 6
South Glanmire and Monkland	—	0 1 0
Western Australia.		
Great Boulder	1 5 0	1 6 2
Sandstone Development	0 8 2	0 8 9

STOCK EXCHANGE SALES.

MORNING.

Copper.—Wallaroo and Moonta, 43/6; Kylee Copper, pref., 19/6; Queen Bee, one month, 5/9; Kangiara Proprietary, paid, 4/6; Kylee Copper, ord, 17/3, six weeks 17/6, ord 17/5.

Silver.—Broken Hill Junction North, 37/6, 38/; Sulphide Corporation, ord, 19/, six weeks 19/3, two months 20/, six weeks 20/; British (old), 26, 26/3; Broken Hill Proprietary, six weeks, 46/; Broken Hill South Blocks, 34/3; Broken Hill South, contg, £6/3/6; Zinc Corporation, pref, 53/.

Gold.—Harden Central, contg, /7, /8, /9; ditto, paid, 1/6; Sandstone Development, 8/6.

Tin.—Vulcan Tin, 2/9, 2/10.

AFTERNOON.

Copper.—Kangiara Proprietary, paid, 4/6, 4/7½; Tolwong Minerals, 19/; Kylee Copper, contg, 17/6, 17/9; one month, 18/; Einasleigh Copper, 15/.

Silver.—B.H. Junction North, 38/; one month, 38/3; ordinary, 38/3; B.H. South, contg, £6/4/; one month, £6/5/6; B.H. South Blocks, 34/6, one month 34/3; British (old), 26/9; B.H. Junction, 6/3; Sulphides (ord.), two months, 20/3.

Gold.—Harden Central, contg, /10; Brilliant St. George United, 5/2; Gold Hill, contg, six weeks, 6/; Sons of Gwalia South, 19/9; Central Cathcart, 8/1.

Tin.—Tongkah Harbour Tin, 35/; Vulcan Tin, 2/.

LONDON SHARE MARKET.

LONDON, Oct. 7.

On the Stock Exchange yesterday quotations of Australian mining ventures were:—Broken Hill Proprietary, b 44/, s 45/; British Broken Hill, b 25/, s 26/6; Block 10, b 80/, s 82/6; North Broken Hill, b 92/6, s 95/; South Broken Hill, b £6/6/3, s £6/8/9.

COPPER STILL FALLING; LEAD STEADY.

A private cable states that amongst the shares quoted on the London Stock Exchange on Wednesday were the following "middle" prices:—Broken Hills, 44/6; B.H. Norths, 94/44; Block 10, 81/3; Fitzroy, 30/6; South, paid, £6/6/3; S. Blocks, 34/; British (old), 26/; Lyells, 38/6; Chillagoe, 4/7½; Mungana, 2/3; Hampden, 12/3; Zinc, ord., 12/9; Great Boulder, 24/9; Associated, 21/6; Northern Blocks, 7/4½; Perseverance, 6/4½; Pingall, 21/3; Chaffers, 4/; Main Reef, 3/3; Hannan's Star, 1/10½; B.H. South Extended, 3/7; Sulphides, ord., 18/9.

Later quotations:—Broken Hills, 44/3, b; British (old), 26, b; B.H. Block 10, 80/7½, b; B.H. Norths, 93/9, b; B.H. South, paid, £6/6/3, b; Sulphides (ord), 18/6, b; Fitzroy, 30/6, b; Lyells, 38/6, b; Hampden, 11/6, b; Chillagoe 4/6, b; Mungana, 3/1½, b; Elliotts, 7½/, b.

Copper was quoted at £58/, a further fall of 7/6 per ton; but lead was unchanged at £13/5/.

MINING NOTES.

The 3133oz of amalgam obtained by the East Oriental Company (Gympie) from 3848 tons retorted to 1468oz 6dwt 18gr of gold.

The western crosscut from the east shaft of the Kangiara Blocks has been advanced to 41ft, the west shaft sunk to 75ft, and a crosscut to the east driven 2ft at that depth.

The manager of the Mungana (Chillagoe) Mining Company advises by wire, dated October 5, that shipments will be cut down by one-half for some time, owing to the necessity for mullocking the 410ft level.

The manager of the Stannary Hills mines reports that he is treating Ivanhoe ore, and is in the meantime testing ores from Black Rock, Kitchener, and General White shafts. Some 458 tons of ore have been treated, and three tons 5cwt. of concentrates bagged.

The Brilliant Extended Company, Charters Towers, reports a crushing of 4920 tons, the proceeds of which are worth £10,851. The month's profit was £3010. The eleventh dividend of /6 per share has been declared, payable on October 30. The transfer books close on October 23.

For the week ended October 2 the Great Britain Sluicing Company's pumps ran 63 hours. Only two shifts daily were worked, the night shift being employed working on the cement, which was heavy. They will run down next week for the fortnight.

The Rock shaft of the Vegetable Creek Tinmining Co. is down 172ft, and is now in stiff brown pipeclay. "This material," writes the manager, "is all that can be desired for sinking, and if it coincides with the stratum at the bottom of Adams' shaft, as is probable, it will probably carry to bedrock, in which case all troubles will be at an end. Water, also, is less troublesome, the quantity being about one-half of that first struck. Generally, therefore, matters are more satisfactory than they have been for some time."

All work at the intermediate level of the Peter and Paul mine (Gympie) has been stopped for the time being, and preparations are being made to start sinking for the second bed of slate, which should be met at about 250ft to 300ft from the present bottom of the shaft.

The weekly report of the Chillagoe Company states:—Zillmanton, air shaft sunk 12ft, total 61ft; formation unchanged; baling Nos. 1 and 2 shafts, water lowered 19ft, total 50ft. Reid shaft: Water draining off voluntarily, shaft nearly dry. Teesdale: No. 1 shaft sunk 8ft; No. 2 shaft, crosscut extended 6ft; No. 3 shaft, driving east and west on footwall vein, big reef tunnel: Cleared 28ft, total 286ft; shaft sunk 6ft, total 112ft; values continue consistent. Deep shaft: Framing poppet legs. Daintree: No. 4 borehole progressing. Percyville: No. 1 shaft, total 112ft, showing good ore. Wells shaft: West drive shows good value. Union shaft started and sunk 8ft.

Operations at the Lobbs Hole copper mine during September show that the No. 2 level cash level was extended 54ft, or a total of 332ft. The vein, which had shown good ore for 18ft, narrowed to a few inches. After continuing so for 12ft, it opened out to 18in of high-grade ore, and from that point to the face, 42ft, it averaged 12in. Some 23 tons of ore broken in the level assayed 22 per cent. copper. In the face 8ft of clean ore are showing. At No. 1 level, winze No. 1 east, 300ft from the shaft, was started, and sunk 28ft. The vein showed good widths in the level, averaged 9in in the winze, with good ore now being exposed in driving immediately beneath. Generally the month's developments were very satisfactory, and the prospects of the mine considerably improved.

Last month the mill of the Harden gold mine crushed 742 tons, yielding bullion to the value of £1667 4s. There were cyanided 720 tons of sands, yielding bullion to the value of £276/17/6. There were also cyanided 771 tons of slimes, yielding bullion worth £98/19/7. There were sold 34.1 tons of concentrates, realising net £1050/8/5. The new plant is now nearly ready for work, and it is expected that it will be running within two weeks. Some irregularity may result during the first few days, but the plant should prove satisfactory in every way, and with the resumption of development work on the reef at No. 4 and No. 5 levels it is believed that the mine's prospects will rapidly improve. At No. 5 level the country is beginning to show signs of alteration, and it is expected that the reef will be cut within the next 15ft.

GREAT FITZROY MINES.

INCREASED OUTPUT.

The output of the Great Fitzroy Mines (Q.) for September is shown below, in contrast with that for the three previous months:—

	Treated. Tons.	Copper. Tons.	Gold. Oz.	Silver. Oz.
June	3,353	80	599	3,395
July	3,871	87	595	3,715
August	3,974	95	545	3,341
September	5,484	164	780	5,394

WORKING COSTS, PER TON.

June	33/8
July	33/7
August	34/
September	31/6

The estimated profit was £2174, as against £1402 for the previous month. The mine developments during the latter half of September show that the lode is maintaining its values in copper and gold at the different faces, but with the increased tonnage sent to the smelters, the assay value of the copper declined from 3.62 per cent. to 3.5 per cent., and gold from 3.83dwt to 3dwt.

THE COSMOPOLITAN MINE.

PURCHASED BY A NEW COMPANY.

A company is in course of formation, all shares having been underwritten, for the purpose of working a mining lease carrying two reefs, situated on the northern side of Baker's Creek gorge, on the outskirts of the township of Hillgrove, and about half a mile west from the Hillgrove Proprietary mine. The lease, which covers about 14 chains along the line of reef, was owned by a Mr. Fuller, from whom it was purchased for a considerable sum of money.

The lease carries two parallel lodes, known as the Big Reef and the Small Reef, 15ft to 20ft apart, and appear to be a continuation of those worked in the old Cosmopolitan mine. The Big Reef is comparatively poor, and has been worked very little; but the Small Reef has been worked for the greater part of its length where it outcrops on the flanks of the Baker's Creek gorge, down to a tunnel driven about 400ft.

Messrs. A. E. Savage and Ashcroft, mining engineers, carefully sampled the small reef for a distance of 91ft. The average width of the lode was 15in, and the average value of the ore 5oz 16dwt 11gr per ton. This was the result of 20 samples taken 5ft apart.

The present method of mining the ore consists in raising it by a hand windlass, trucking to the mouth of the tunnel, screening and hand-sorting it, bagging the ore, and sending it to a battery by means of a wire rope. It is said that the stone stoped above the present tunnel level was, even with the primitive plant used, rich enough to pay the cost of driving the bottom tunnel. It should be stated that a slide crosses the reef at 95ft, hence the last sample had to be taken 1ft back from its proper position, while for the next 10ft beyond that point there is no reef, and further on it is small and unpayable, averaging about 9dwt.

MINING IN THE STATE.

FOREST REEFS, Thursday.

The ore in the levels at Calvert gold and copper mine are thinning out somewhat, though the manager expects to pick them up again by driving later on. This is materially affecting the working of the mine, especially through the continued low price of copper, consequently things have to look out for the present. Another consignment of ore was despatched from the mine last Friday, this time to the Melbourne and Great Northern Company's works, Newcastle, instead of to Port Kembla.

HILL END, Thursday.

Rowley's, the oldest reef at Hawkins' Hill, is showing good gold specimens. The last company that worked the reef followed the eastern flat, a barren vein. Driving east from the Crown Prince shaft, the present company has met the old reef.

LITHGOW, Thursday.

A mining report from Sunny Corner is to the effect that two prospectors, Williams and Donnelly, have struck a promising-looking reef in their claim in the Bobs Creek neighbourhood. A report from Cullen Bullen states there is a daily output of coal from the invicible colliery, and the manager expects to double the amount when the new machinery arrives.

PAMBULA, Thursday.

At the Warden's Court to-day the Falkner mine was granted a suspension of labour conditions for four months for the purpose of sinking the main shaft a further 100ft, in order to fully test the mine at lower levels; also with a view to introducing further capital into the mine.

The tributers on Mount Gahan have struck good gold.

WEST WYALONG, Thursday.

The output of stone from the Keep It Dark shaft of the Golden Fleece Company's mine continues very satisfactory, both as regards quantity and quality. The yields from the last consignments treated at Cockie Creek works averaged as follows:—Twenty tons 4rwts, 8oz 15dwt; 2½ tons concentrates, 7oz; and 27 tons seconds, 1oz 7dwt per ton. Another consignment is now undergoing treatment.

The True Blue mine having been acquired by the Junction Proprietary, there has been a considerable displacement of mining hands, but it is expected that after a while increased employment will be given.

BROKEN HILL MINES.

BROKEN HILL, Thursday.

The B. H. North mine last week sent away 685 tons of concentrates. Development work remains restricted. The 700ft drive from the central winze pass was extended 16ft, and the drive from the northern ore body a further 13ft. Section 15, winze from the 800ft level, was deepened to 131ft. The main north drive at the 850ft level was extended to 435ft from the crosscut.

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN MINES.

KALGOORLIE (W.A.), Thursday.

September outputs:—Westralia Mount Morgans, 4468 tons, 1424ozs, valued £4946; Gwalia South, 2065 tons, 1046oz, valued £4007.

The receipts of the Golden Pole Company for the half-year ended July 31 amounted to £32,564, and but for the whole of the expenses in connection with the Kokinoor South option (£7389) being made a charge against the revenue, a small profit would have been shown. The cash in hand, when the half-year closed, was £6657.

INTERSTATE EXCHANGES.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

Sales and quotations:—

Western Australian stocks: Associated, 21/8, b 21/, s 21/6; Northern, b 7/3, s 7/5; Boulders, 25/; Barrambie Ranges, b 24/9, s 25/; ditto, No. 1, b 5/5, s 6/6; Perseverance, 6/4, b 6/4, s 6/6; Golden Ridge, b 20/, s 21/6; Golden Links, 4/10, 4/9, 4/9, 4/9, b 4/9, s 4/10; Great Fingall, b 82/6, s 85/6; Hannan's, 1/10, 1/11, 1/10, b 1/9, s 1/11; Morning Star, 10/6, s 10/6; ditto North, 1/5; Princess Royal, 2/1, 2/2, b 2/1½, s 2/2; Sons of Gwalia, b 21/0; ditto South, 19/6, b 19/2, s 19/6; South Kalgurli, 16/6, b 16/6, s 16/10½; Wahai, 2/6, 2/5½, b 2/5, s 2/6½.

Silver: Broken Hill Proprietary, 45/6, 45/2, 46/, b 45/9, s 46/; Broken Hill Block 14, prof., b 12/6, s 13/; British (old), 26/6, 27/, b 26/10½; ditto (new), 26/3, b 26/4½, s 26/9; B.H. Block 10, b 81/, s 81/6; B.H. Junction, 6/3, 6/6, b 6/5, s 6/6; B.H. North, b 94/, s 95/; B.H. South, paid, 6/6/9, 6/6/9/6, b 6/6/7/6, s 6/6/8/6; B.H. South Blocks, 34/9, 34/, b 33/10½, s 34/; B.H. South Extended, 3/4, 3/5; B.H. Junction North, 38/, 38/9, b 38/6, s 38/9; Sulphide, pref., b 20/6; ditto, ord., 19/9, 20/, b 20/, s 21/1; Zinc, ord., b 13/4½, s 13/8.

Copper: Hampden, b 16/10½, s 17/6; Mount Elliott, b 74/6, s 76/; Mount Lyell, b 39/; Mount Morgan, b 37/6, s 38/; Einasleigh, b 15/6, s 15/9; Great Fitzroy, 30/5, 30/6, 30/4½, b 30/5, s 30/6; Wallaroo, 42/9, b 42/6, s 42/9.

Tin: Stannary Hills, ord., 1/11½, b 1/11, s 1/11½.

BENDIGO, Thursday.

Sales: Collmann and Tacchi, 11/6; Confidence Extended, /11; Frederick the Great, 1/3; Golden Crown Consolidated, 5/9; Horwoods and Burrowes, 4/1, 4/; Koch's Pioneer, 13/4, 13/6; small lot, North Bendigo, 13/3, 13/4½; North Langi Logan, 10/1; South Langi Logan, 15/2, 16/; Sea, 5/6; The Langloo, 1/6; United Waterlot, 5/6; small lot, Unity, 1/10.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

Sales: Bonnie Dundee, 3/6; Brilliant, 4/10; Brilliant Block, contg, 4/5; Wallis, /6, /8; Vulcan, 2/7.

CHARTERS TOWERS, Thursday.

Sales: Brilliant, 4/8½, 4/11, B. Central, 2/8; B. Block, 4/6; B. St. George, paid, 5/3, 5/5; Clarke, /7; Day Dawn, /7; D.D. Mines, /7; Mexican, 3/11, 4/, paid 5/5; Alexandra, 1/4; Kulaundi, 3/8; Marshall's, 2/9; Mill's, 13/; Pfeifer's, 3/1 to 3/4, paid 5/9, 6/; Q. Central, 1/7; Wallis, /8, /10.

Crushing, Bonnie Dundee, 680 tons gold, worth £2117.

LAUNCESTON, Thursday.

Quotations:—Tasmania, b 9/6, s 9/7½; North Comet, b 6/6, s 7/3; Hercules, s 12/; Tasmanian Copper, b 4/8, s 5/; Briseis, s 7/6; Arba, s 10/6; Mount Rex, b /8, s 1/; Pioneer, s 26/9; Total Hill, b /10, s 1/4.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

To-day's sales were:—

Silver: British (old), 26/3; B. H. South, paid, £6/6/6; B. H. South Blocks, 33/10½, 34/; Sulphide, 19/6.

Copper: Balfour Extended, £11/15/, £12; Balfour Proprietary, £9, £10; Balfour Proprietary, £15, £13/15, £14; Balfour South, £27/10/; Balfour Tharsis, £17/10, £18; North Mount Balfour, £25, £28/5/; Tasman and Crown Extended, paid, 1/; Great Fitzroy, 30/, 30/4½, 30/3; Rampaden, paid, 18/10, 17/; Mount Elliott, 76/.

Tin: New Ruby Flat, 7/; Tongkah Harbour, 35/, 35/3, 34/10½.

Gold: Burnt Creek, 15/; Campbell's Creek, 8/; Cathcart, £6, £6/10/, £6/7/, £6/8/; ditto, paid, £5/15/; Cathcart Central, 8/, 9/, 8/; Cathcart South, 9/5, 9/10, 9/3; Christensen's Ajax, 3/10; Duke Extended, 1/2; Frenchmann's Reef, 2/; Horwood and Burrowes, 4/, 4/2; Langi Logan South, 12/, 16, 13/6, 14/; Long Tunnel Extended, 25/; Lord Nelson, 13/; New Argus, 4/3; New Black Horse, paid, 1/6, 1/; New Kok-i-noor, 1/9; New Langi Logan, 37/, 35/6; North Langi Logan, 8/9, 10/1, 9/3; Nuggety Ajax, 25/9, 25/6; Poseidon Allwrial, 4/6; Russell's Reef, /11, 1/; Star of the East, 1/5; Stock of the West, paid, 2/8; Suffolk United, 2/; Tarnagulla

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The annual loss sustained through the inefficiency of the Homebush saleyards, calculated at £200,000, is made the subject of some attention in the pastoral columns. The establishment of sheep studs by the Queensland Government is explained in detail, as the movement is attracting considerable attention. The fattening of lambs, and several other subjects, are dealt with. "Moira" makes the Coolabah dry farming the subject of attention, and has something new regarding "Margarine" in the dairy columns. "Superfris" writes at some length on orchard pests. Many other topics of interest are discussed. In the turf columns "Milroy" has a detailed account of the A.J.C. Spring Carnival at Randwick. His "Old Time Memories of the Derby" is absorbingly interesting.

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LAW.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. T. LAW and FAMILY are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved MOTHER and GRANDMOTHER, Mrs. Margaret Law; to leave 153 Cumberland-street, city, THIS AFTERNOON, at 12.45, for St. Patrick's Church, Church Hill, thence after service to the R.C. Cemetery, Rookwood.

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PRESTON.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. N. J. PRESTON are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved SON, Arthur William; to leave our Mortuary Chapel, 810-2 George-street, city, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 2.30 o'clock, for Waverley Cemetery. Funeral Service at 2 o'clock sharp.

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ROSE OF ANNANDALE LODGE, U.A.O.D.—Officers and Members are invited to attend the Funeral of our late Bro. A. W. PRESTON, to move from A. Wood and Co.'s Mortuary Chapel, 812 George-street, city, at 2.30 p.m., for Waverley. P. MOCKLER, A.D.; F. DEVLIN, Sec.

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